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SMASHING WIN FOR NORTH.

EIGHTH SOUTHERN ARMY WIPED OUT.

RUSSIANS NOW FLEEING FROM HANKOW.

"RED" RANKS IN REVOLT.

What is described as the most severe battle of the whole Southern campaign has been fought on the Honan front, when the Fengtien forces, launching an offensive on a large scale, wiped out practically the whole of the Southern Eighth Army.

On the other hand, there is said to be dissension in the Northern ranks, following recent defeats, and a mutiny is said to have occurred in Kiangsu, where the Southern armies are continuing to go forward. They are said to be rapidly approaching the Shantung border.

There have been remarkable messages from Hankow, indicating that matters are coming to a head there, through a split in the "Red" ranks. Borodin and other Russians are said to have fled and the "moderates" are understood to have come to an agreement with Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.

In connexion with the clean up of Communists, the "Red" leaders at Changsha have been executed, and the Hankow-nominated officials at Kiukiang have left. At Nanking, Chinese warships honoured the birthday of Queen Mary.

Hankow, May 26.
Practically the whole of the Southern Eighth Army was wiped out in a severe battle on the Honan front to-day.

The Fengtien forces launched an offensive on a large scale, and the Southerners suffered a severe defeat, attended by heavy loss of men.

Only brief advices have reached Hankow, but it is clear that the battle was the most severe of the whole Southern campaign.

The Fengtien forces also suffered heavy casualties.—*Naval Wireless.*

HANKOW END IN SIGHT.

Troops in Revolt.

Shanghai, May 26.
A series of remarkable messages from Hankow indicate that matters are coming to a head at last, and that the end of the Communist influence is in sight.

Troops, which were believed to be strongly Communist, and were sent to Wuchang to defend it against Sha Tao-yin, are in revolt, and all Nationalist flags except those on public buildings are absent.

The change of attitude began with an organised pulling down of posters and streamers deciding Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.

Armed posses visited all employers whose men are on strike, and invited them to attend a meeting to discuss the closing down of the Labour Unions. The Russians are now showing distinct signs of uneasiness and are making hasty preparations for a hurried departure.

A Southern Reverse.

News from the war fronts definitely contradicts the reported capture of Chengchow by Marshal Feng Yu-shiang, while it is understood that the Southern army on the Honan front has met with a severe reverse, suffering heavy casualties.—*Naval Wireless.*

RUSSIANS QUIT.

Flight From Hankow.

Hankow, May 26.
The end of the "Red" regime appears to be a fait accompli.

Comrade Borodin and seven Russian left Hankow for the south bank (presumably Wuchang) this morning (Thursday) and it is understood that they are leaving Wuchang entirely as soon as possible. All the Russians have been hurriedly making preparations for departure.

Agreement With Chiang?

It is understood from reliable sources that an agreement has been reached between the Hankow Government and Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, and it is probably as indicative of this that all the virulent anti-Chiang Kai-shek posters have been removed.—*Naval Wireless.*

POLICE DISCOVER A BODY.

MISSING WOMAN WITH ROPE
ROUND NECK.

HUSBAND UNDER ARREST.

The mystery surrounding the recent disappearance of a woman from the Castle Peak district, was cleared up yesterday, when search parties, which had been scouring the locality for a week, dug up the body of the woman from where it was buried, in a field situated at a considerable distance from her home.

The husband of the woman, a heavily-bearded Chinese, who is now being held by the police on a charge of murder, made a recent statement to the police, in which he said that he believed his wife had eloped with another man, when accounting for the reason of her disappearance. Later information received from the missing woman's brother, however, led to a more rigid police enquiry.

Since last Friday, search parties had been organized by the police, under Detective Sergeant Rozeskiw, specially lent from Headquarters, and every inch of ground in the immediate vicinity had been examined without success. Digging operations were carried further afield yesterday, and late in the afternoon, a mound of earth which appeared to have been freshly turned over, was cleared away, to disclose the remains of the woman.

Rope Round Neck.

The body has since been taken to the Mortuary at Kowloon, where a post-mortem examination will be held to-day, although a possible cause of death has been suggested by the fact that a piece of rope was found to be tightly drawn round the neck.

The husband was formally charged in the earlier part of this week with the murder of the woman, when a remand was given, it being stated by the police that the production of the body would be necessary in the case.

The revelation in connexion with the discovery of the body yesterday has now enabled the authorities to present their case in the more complete form.

DISTRESS SIGNALS.

MALOLO IN COLLISION ON
TRIAL RUN.

New York, May 26.

Distress signals have been reported from the new 22,000 ton steamer Malolo after a collision with another steamer off Manhattan lightship, 190 miles from New York, in the course of her trial run. There were 310 people aboard.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Due to Fog.

Later.
The Malolo collision was due to fog, and the s.s. Malolo is now anchored with two steamers standing by. A tug has been sent out.—*Reuter's American Service.*

EMPIRE DAY.

GOVERNOR'S REPLY TO
GREETINGS.

The following is a copy of the reply which has been sent by His Excellency the Governor in reply to the Empire Day greetings sent him by the Colonial Office Conference.

"On behalf of Hongkong I thank the Colonial Office Conference for its Empire Day greetings which are cordially reciprocated here."

NAVAL LIMITATION.

NEW ZEALAND'S
REPRESENTATIVE.

London, May 26.
New Zealand has appointed the High Commissioner in London (Sir James Parr) and Viscount Jellicoe to represent it on the three-Power Armaments Conference, which is opening at Geneva on June 6th.—*Reuter.*

DEALS IN SHARES.

BROKERS' LIABILITY
ARGUED.

TWO SHANGHAI JUDGMENTS.

In H.B.M. Supreme Court at Shanghai, last Saturday, Judge Peter Grain gave judgment for the plaintiff for the sum of Hongkong \$161,821.06, in the case in which a sharebroker's liability is involved, when a principal's name (buyer or seller) is or is not divulged before or at the time when a share contract or purchase note is signed by the respective brokers or client. The case arose out of the financial crisis which obtained in Hongkong during 1925.

The plaintiff in this action was Emanuel E. Ellis, a stock and share broker and member of the firm of Ellis & Co., of Shanghai, and the defendants were Harry O. Odell and Jack Behar, also stock and share brokers, formerly of Hongkong but now residing in Shanghai.

The plaintiff was represented by Mr. M. Reader Harris, of White-Cooper & Co., and defendants were represented by Mr. R. N. Macleod, of Platt & Co.

In the course of reviewing the facts of the case, the Judge said, with reference to the plaintiff:

In June, 1925, it is alleged that the plaintiff sold and the defendants bought 500 shares in the China Light & Power Co., and 6,000 shares in the Hongkong Tramways Ltd. for delivery on the August settlement day, 1925. And the plaintiff claims that the defendants rendered themselves personally liable to him by reason of signing the said notes which contained the following statements set out on the Sale Notes namely: "This Contract is made subject to the articles and By-Laws of the Hongkong Sharebrokers Association."

Outlining the statement of claim, Judge Peter Grain added:

The plaintiff states that the amount owing to him on the shares at the time the writ was issued was Hongkong \$161,821.06, and he now claims either the equivalent in Shanghai currency of Hongkong \$161,821.06, or damages for breach of the contracts or in the alternative specific performance of the contracts and also claims interest to the date of payment of judgment.

Conflict of Evidence.

The Judge then outlined the defence, as previously reported in the course of the proceedings, and continued:

There is a direct conflict of evidence by the witnesses called before me as regards the question of whether the names of the buyers were or were not disclosed. And I do not feel able to rely on any of the evidence given by the witnesses in the case with regard to the facts at issue.

Newspaper reports have been put in of a case heard before Mr. Justice Wood in Hongkong, Ahmed Mohideen v. Chan Chan-nam & Co. in which Mr. P. Tester, late secretary to Hongkong Stock Exchange, gave evidence to the effect that if a buyer's name was given to the seller of shares, the seller had a right to refuse to sell to that buyer. If he accepted the name of the buyer, the name was written on the contract note and the broker was freed from liability. And that in the majority of cases there was no disclosure of the buyer's name.

I am asked from that evidence to hold that if a name is disclosed it is written on the contract note and if the broker discloses the name of the buyer he is freed from liability.

I propose to found my judgment entirely on the documentary evidence produced in the hearing of the case, as to what were those intentions.

The sale notes for the shares are signed by Odell and Behar the defendants and addressed to E. E. Ellis Esq. the plaintiff, and state that "we have under your instructions and on your behalf this day sold and have rendered ourselves personally liable under article 55—to carry out the contract for the sale." The other part of the sale note is signed by E. E. Ellis and addressed to Odell & Behar and states "acknowledging the contract to sell that you have rendered yourselves personally liable to carry out the contract under Article 55" and (Continued on Page 8.)

PUBLIC MATCHED AT REPULSE BAY.

A WELCOME DECISION BY
GOVERNMENT.

READY NEXT MONTH.

The paucity of public bathing facilities in Hongkong has for some time formed the subject of continued agitation in the correspondence and editorial columns of the local newspapers, and the Telegraph is pleased to be able to announce that the Government proposes, in the very near future, to construct a matched for public hire at Repulse Bay.

The plans, we understand, are only in a tentative stage for the present, but the scheme has been approved, and, in an interview this morning, our representative was informed that the matched would probably be ready before the end of June.

It will occupy a position in the middle of the beach, and will be constructed on much the same lines as public bathing matcheds at other beaches.

There will be cubicle accommodation for men and ladies in different wings, sufficient for between fifty and a hundred visitors.

KING'S BIRTHDAY PARADE.

PLENTY OF ROOM FOR
PUBLIC.

There has been much speculation regarding the accommodation for the public at Happy Valley on the occasion of the King's Birthday Parade, on June 3rd and the public will be pleased to learn that the Stewards of the Jockey Club are placing the whole of the public and members' enclosures, and the grandstand at the disposal of the general public.

A Telegraph representative was informed by Mr. R. J. Paterson, the Clerk of the Course this morning, that the only reservations will be those of the private stands of the Members of the Jockey Club.

Traffic Arrangements.

The Police Department has issued the following instructions regarding traffic arrangements on the morning of June 3rd.

Queen's Road East from Arsenal Street to Stubbs Road will be closed to motor traffic from 7.30 to 11 a.m.

Vehicles proceeding to the Public Enclosure will do so by way of Praya East, Wanchai Road, Leighton Hill Road and Wong Nei Chong Road and will return by the same route.

Vehicles proceeding to and from the Peak will do so by way of Praya East, Wanchai Road, Morrison Hill Road and Morrison Gap Road and return by the same route.

His Excellency the Governor will leave the Government House approximately at 8.40 a.m. and will proceed by way of Garden Road to Queen's Road East. He will be escorted by a fleet of twelve Police cycles and a detachment of twelve Volunteer machines will bring up the rear.

Troops from Kowloon will be landed at the Commissariat Pier, Queen's Pier and "Star" Ferry pier. They will later return from the same piers.

Pedestrians are specially requested to keep to the footpaths.

LAUNCH TRAGEDY.

AMENDMENT OF NAVIGATION
RULES URGED.

Madras, May 20.

With reference to the steam launch tragedy on the river Godavari, it is now known that only fifteen persons, including eight members of the crew, were saved.

At the inquiry the owners were able to prove that the tragedy was the result of an accident, but it is widely felt that an amendment of the navigation rules is necessary to prevent a similar occurrence in future.

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RUSSIAN BREAK ACCEPTED.

GOVERNMENT'S DECISION UPHELD.

SOVIET'S ESPIONAGE SYSTEM EXPOSED.

THE CAMPAIGN IN CHINA.

The House of Commons, by an overwhelming majority, yesterday endorsed the Government's decision to break off diplomatic relations with Russia.

A lengthy statement by Sir Austen Chamberlain detailed the espionage system which the Soviet had set up against Britain throughout the entire world and particularly in China.

The Home Secretary (Sir William Joynson Hicks) described the Soviet spy system in England as "one of the most complete and nefarious that he had ever met with." He stated that the missing War Office document, for the discovery of which the Government primarily instituted the raid on Arcos House, had not been found, but a photographic copy of it was among the documents seized.

In the course of his statement, Sir Austen Chamberlain said there was no reason why Anglo-Russian trade could not continue, the only difference now being that the special privileges had been withdrawn and that anti-British propaganda could no longer be carried on under the protection of diplomatic immunities.

London, May 26.

In the House of Commons, the debate on the Labourite motion on the Arcos raid, the discussion evoked equal interest to Mr. Baldwin's statement of May 24, and was followed by a number of prominent diplomats, also by Mr. Patel, the Speaker of the Indian Legislative Assembly.

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Foreign Minister Replies.

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Only one government had refused to co-operate in the work of reconciliation and pacification of bound up with the League of Nations, and with Locarno, and on the contrary had sought to hinder it. That Government was as hostile to the League and all for which it stood as it was to the other great league of nations—the British Empire. The British Government had continued its relations until they became a hollow sham. The Soviet Government had shown itself incorrigible, and the British Government would no longer take the responsibility of maintaining diplomatic relations which were so conducted and abused that they were not an instrument of peace but a fresh and continual irritation. (Ministerial cheers.)

Events in China.

Referring to China, Sir Austen Chamberlain traced the Bolshevik activities since early in 1923, when the executive of the Third International instructed the central committee of Chinese Communists to prepare to strike a heavy blow against foreign imperialism, and complained that the Chinese Communists were not tending sufficiently to sabotage foreign establishments. He stated that the anti-foreign instructions given to Karakhan and his

exhortation to the Chinese Government to tear up the treaties. He mentioned Karakhan's or the debate on the Labourite motion on the Arcos raid, the discussion evoked equal interest to Mr. Baldwin's statement of May 24, and was followed by a number of prominent diplomats, also by Mr. Patel, the Speaker of the Indian Legislative Assembly.

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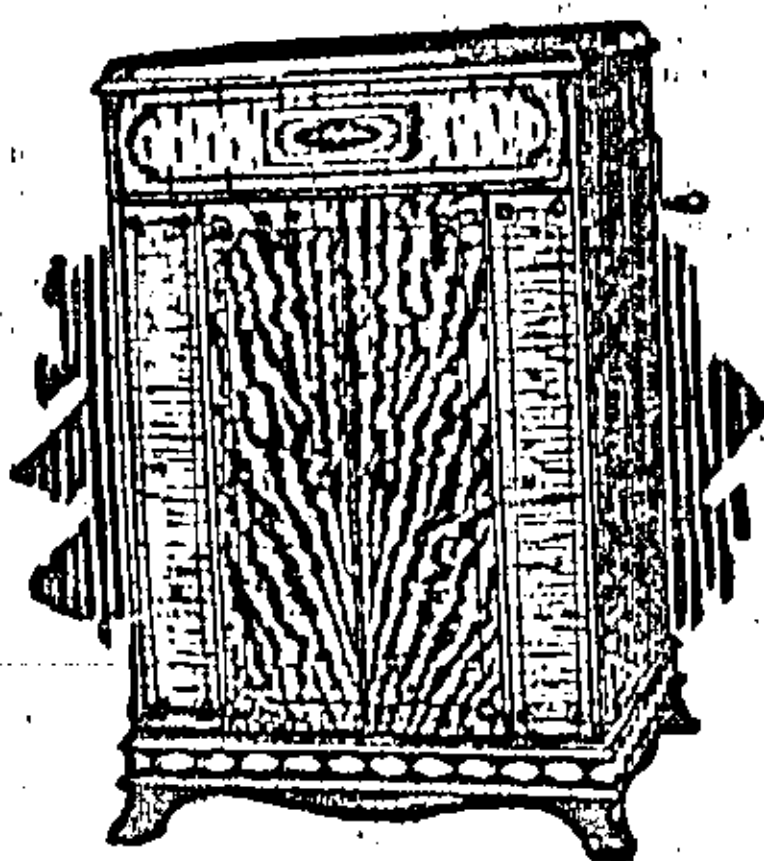
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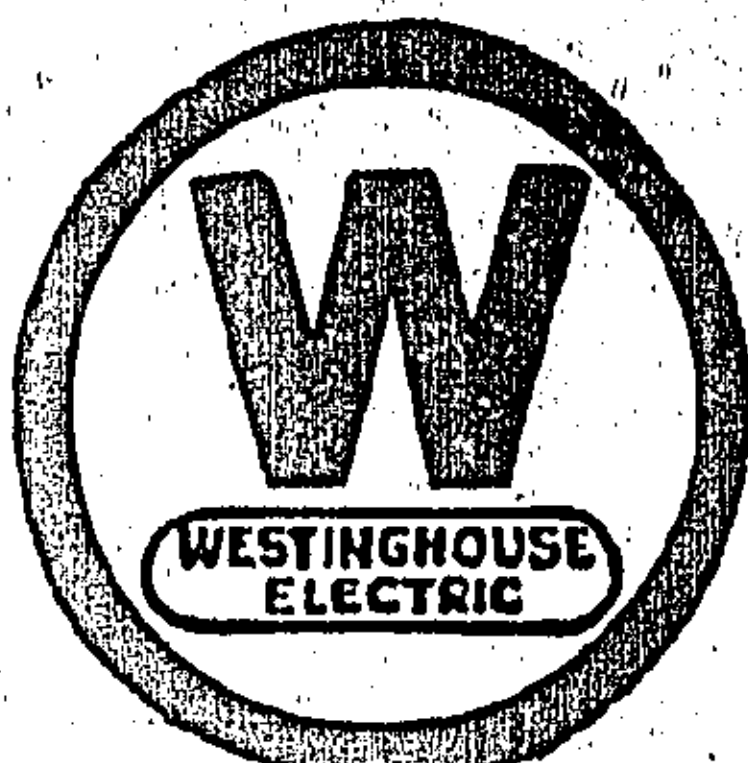
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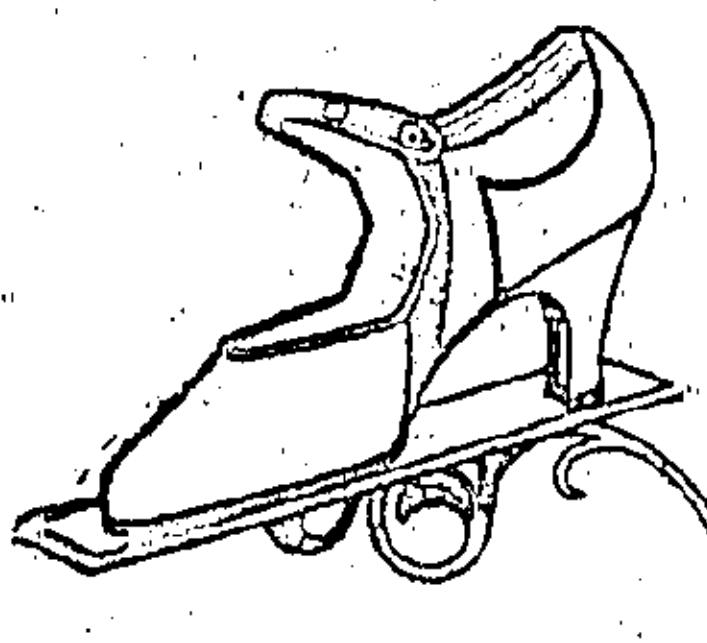
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BREAK WITH SOVIET.

CANADA TAKES ACTION.

Ottawa, May 26.

Mr. Mackenzie King pointed out that the termination of the trade agreement did not mean the discontinuance of trade with Russia but that certain quasi-diplomatic privileges enjoyed by the Soviet Trade Mission in Canada would be abrogated. Canada would continue to trade with Russia but without a preferential trade arrangement.

On the contrary M. Guerns, head of the Soviet Trade Mission, announced that the immediate result of the Canadian Government's action would be the cancellation by the Mission of the recent agreement to purchase 4,000 Canadian horses. He added that the commercial activities of the Mission would continue possibly for six months whereafter it was expected that the whole Mission would be withdrawn, leaving Canada without facilities for trade with Russia. —*Reuter's American Service.*

American Approval.

New York, May 26.

Public opinion, as reflected in newspaper editorials, appears overwhelmingly to approve of Mr. Baldwin's attitude towards Moscow. Although unconcerned with the United States, Mr. Baldwin's charges are generally believed here, and the newspapers are pleased that the United States never recognized the Soviet.

At the moment, it is impossible to ascertain the attitude of the State Department, but it is said in political circles that certain information obtained by the British Government in the Arcos raid is already in the possession of officials of the State Department and is being studied with interest. —*Reuter's American Service.*

Japanese Opinion.

Tokyo, May 26.

The vernacular papers generally, while emphasizing the possibility of serious developments, consider that the Anglo-Soviet break was inevitable, though the *Kokumin*, while censuring Russia for attempting to encompass Britain's downfall by subversive propaganda and intrigue accuses Britain of deliberately seeking an excuse for severing relations by carrying out the Arcos raid.

Chuo considers that the Anglo-Soviet trade agreement facilitated Moscow's efforts to stir up revolutionary movements.

The general impression appears to be that the revelations made will deal a heavy blow to the Soviet politically as well as economically and above all morally, as it will serve to discredit Moscow in the eyes of the whole world. —*Reuter.*

CHINESE COMMITTED.

THEFT OF LETTERS AT
POST OFFICE.

As a result of the watch which the Superintendent of Mails kept on the private box, hall of the General Post Office a Chinese was caught there in the act of stealing letters from several private boxes. The man who possessed several keys which fitted into some of the boxes, was charged before Major C. Willson yesterday afternoon with larceny. Mr. D. C. Wilson said that the defendant was formerly employed in the *China Mail* but was dismissed about sixteen months ago. The letters stolen were from boxes owned by the *China Mail*, Mackinnon Mackenzie and Co., and the Bank of East Asia.

Assistants from the latter firm gave evidence to the effect that the arrested man had no authority whatever to open their boxes and to remove their letters. The man was committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

SINCERE'S.

HISTORY OF A GREAT
UNDERTAKING.

The Sincere Company, the great Chinese department store in Des Voeux Road, has just issued a very fine volume in celebration of its twenty-fifth anniversary. Printed in Chinese, the book contains many congratulatory messages from well-known Chinese scholars and an introduction by Dr. W. W. Yen, one time Premier of China, together with photographs of the various establishments in Hongkong, Shanghai and Canton and portraits of those who have taken a leading part in building up the business.

Sincere's history dates back to the year 1900, when Mr. Ma Ying Piu, greatly impressed with Western methods of business in New South Wales, returned to Hongkong and decided to establish a department store on the lines of those which have proved such a great success in the Commonwealth. It was due to his enthusiasm and business acumen that the Sincere Company was formed and commenced business as the first Chinese owned and capitalized department store in the Far East.

Commencing in a small way, the business did not at first flourish, probably due to the fact that prospective customers had become so accustomed to bargaining that it was found very difficult to impress upon them that full value was being given for their money by the introduction of the fixed price principle. Indeed, the first year's operation proved so disappointing that many of the shareholders favoured an immediate liquidation, but Mr. Ma Ying Piu would have none of this, and the stores established to-day in Des Voeux Road, Hongkong, Nanking Road, Shanghai, the Bund at Canton, and elsewhere will for ever stand as monuments to his tenacity, foresight and enterprise.

Eventually people were convinced of the advantages of the fixed price principle, and the small store in Hongkong flourished. The business made such rapid progress that it was soon discovered that more commodious premises were needed and these were obtained in Des Voeux Road. The business developed further until it was found necessary to acquire a block of twelve shops upon which the present five-storied structure was erected.

The success of the enterprise encouraged the promoters to go further afield and in the year 1912, they opened the present five-storied building premises on the Bund at Canton. Four years later two other branches were established in Canton, one of which was unfortunately totally destroyed by fire in 1921. The year 1917 saw the opening of the largest of all the Sincere branches, the imposing five storied building occupying a whole block on Nanking Road, Shanghai, and later premises were secured at Singapore, Nanking and Yau-mat.

Sincere's were not content to be regarded merely as universal providers, for before long they hit upon the plan of manufacturing some of their own goods, and at present have factories in Hongkong, Canton and Shanghai. Two important off-shoots are the Sincere Insurance and Investment Company Ltd. and the Sincere Life Assurance Company, Ltd., both of which have branches in most of the important cities of China and Malaya.

From its modest beginning the Sincere Company has grown until to-day it has a paid-up capital of \$7,000,000 and employs several thousand workmen. The Company, and particularly Mr. Ma Ying Piu, will receive the congratulations of the whole community upon the part Sincere's has played in the commercial life of the Colony and of China.

OBITUARY.

HARRY PAYNE WHITNEY.

New York, May 26.

The death has taken place suddenly, while playing tennis at his country home in Long Island, New York, of the well known American banker Mr. Harry Payne Whitney, whose fortune is estimated at between thirty and forty million dollars. —*Reuter's American Service.*

[Mr. Harry Payne Whitney was born in New York, April 1872 and married in 1896 the daughter of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt. He was educated at Yale. He entered life early in the theatrical business becoming the director of Metropolitan Opera and Real Estate Company. Later he became a director of several other large concerns, among them the Westchester Racing Association, the Montana Power Company, the Whitney Realty Company, the Sinclair Consolidated Oil Corporation, the Saratoga Racing Association and the Guarantee Trust Company. He was a member of a number of sporting clubs, among them the Royal Thames Yacht Club.]

SUICIDE OR NOT?

WOMAN'S DEATH AFTER A
HERB POTION.

The enquiry was continued at the Central Magistracy yesterday into the death of a Chinese woman who died on April 22 in the Government Civil Hospital.

At the previous hearing the husband and father of the woman expressed the opinion that the deceased did not commit suicide.

Dr. D. J. Valentine said that when the woman was admitted to the hospital he noticed that her breathing was difficult.

Questioned as to the amount of opium the deceased must have taken, witness said he would not like to say, as the effect would be different on various people.

The father-in-law of the woman said that when he woke up he saw the woman in the parlour of the third floor of 198 Queen's Road Central with a Chinese doctor. As soon as she saw him, she returned to her room. Later the doctor made out a prescription which a servant took to a dispensary, returning about 10.30 a.m. Witness personally examined the herbs to see that they were as prescribed, and gave instructions for them to be boiled.

He went to his own quarters on the second floor and about noon returned to the third floor and noticed his daughter-in-law groaning in bed.

Opium in Cupboard.

In reply to Mr. Lindell witness admitted that he smoked opium and explained that it was kept in a cupboard in his own sitting room. It was always locked and he kept the key with him. In answer to further questions witness admitted that it was possible for the cupboard to be opened by someone in his absence but he was not aware that was ever done.

In answer to Mr. M. K. Lo (who represented the father of the deceased), witness said that there were several "boys" and folk who could go and buy the opium for him from the government stores.

Asked whether any of his concubines died in his shop witness replied that the third and fourth concubines both died, one in the country after some illness and another during childbirth.

Witness was closely cross-examined regarding the statement that his second concubine was out at the time the medicine was taken into the kitchen to be boiled, repeating his statement that she was out before the herbs returned from the dispenser to the house.

The case was adjourned until Monday morning.



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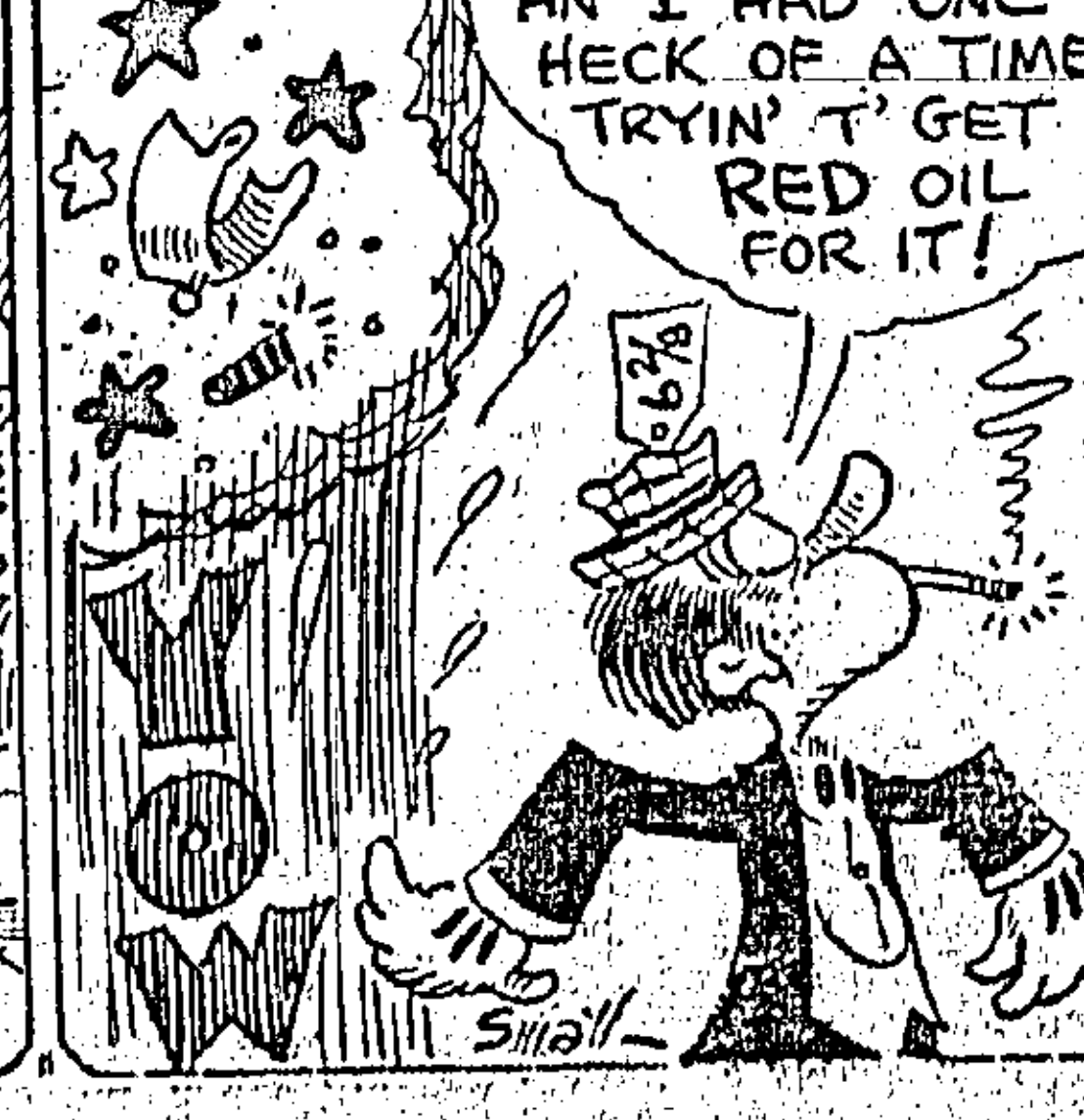
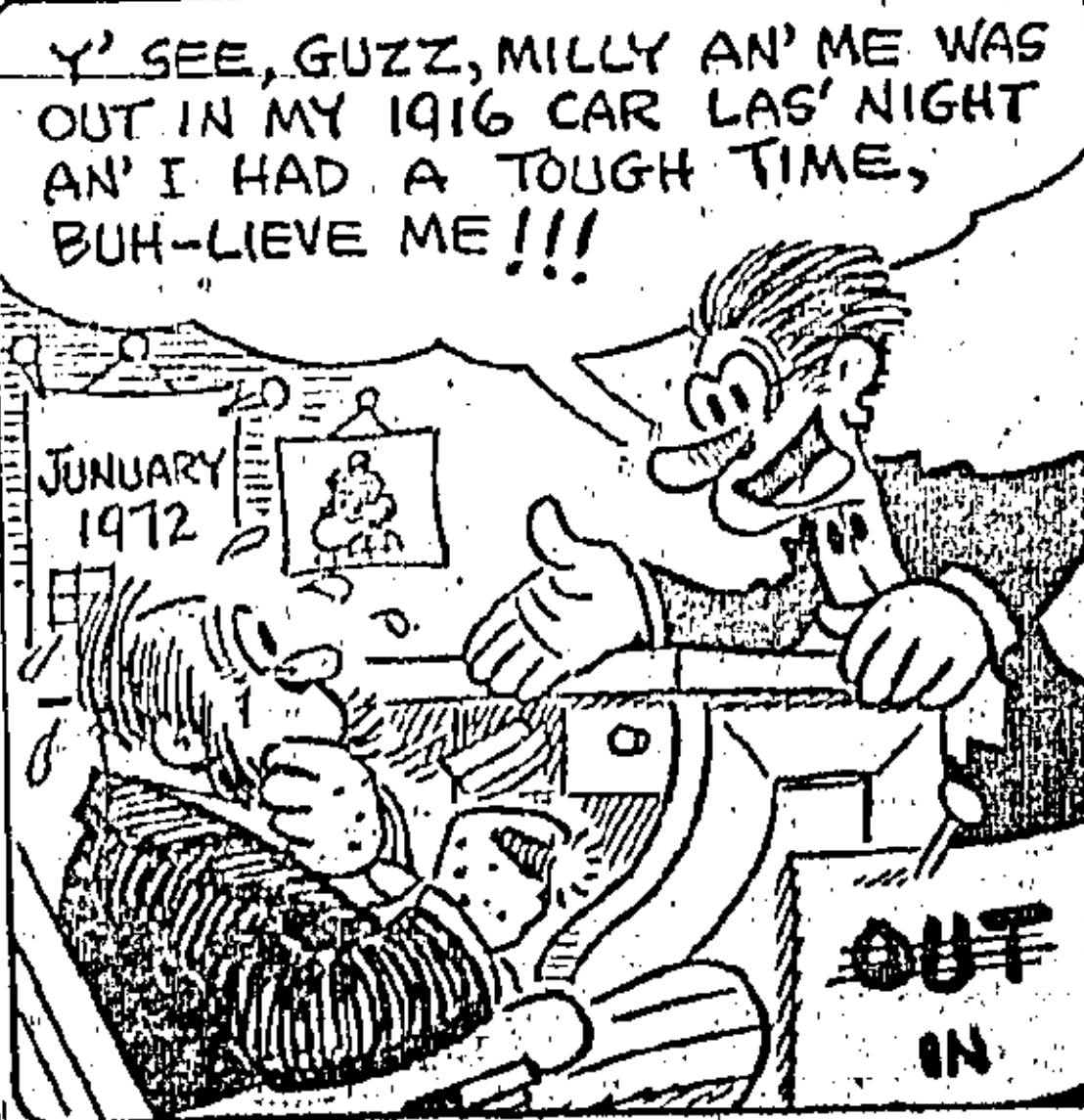
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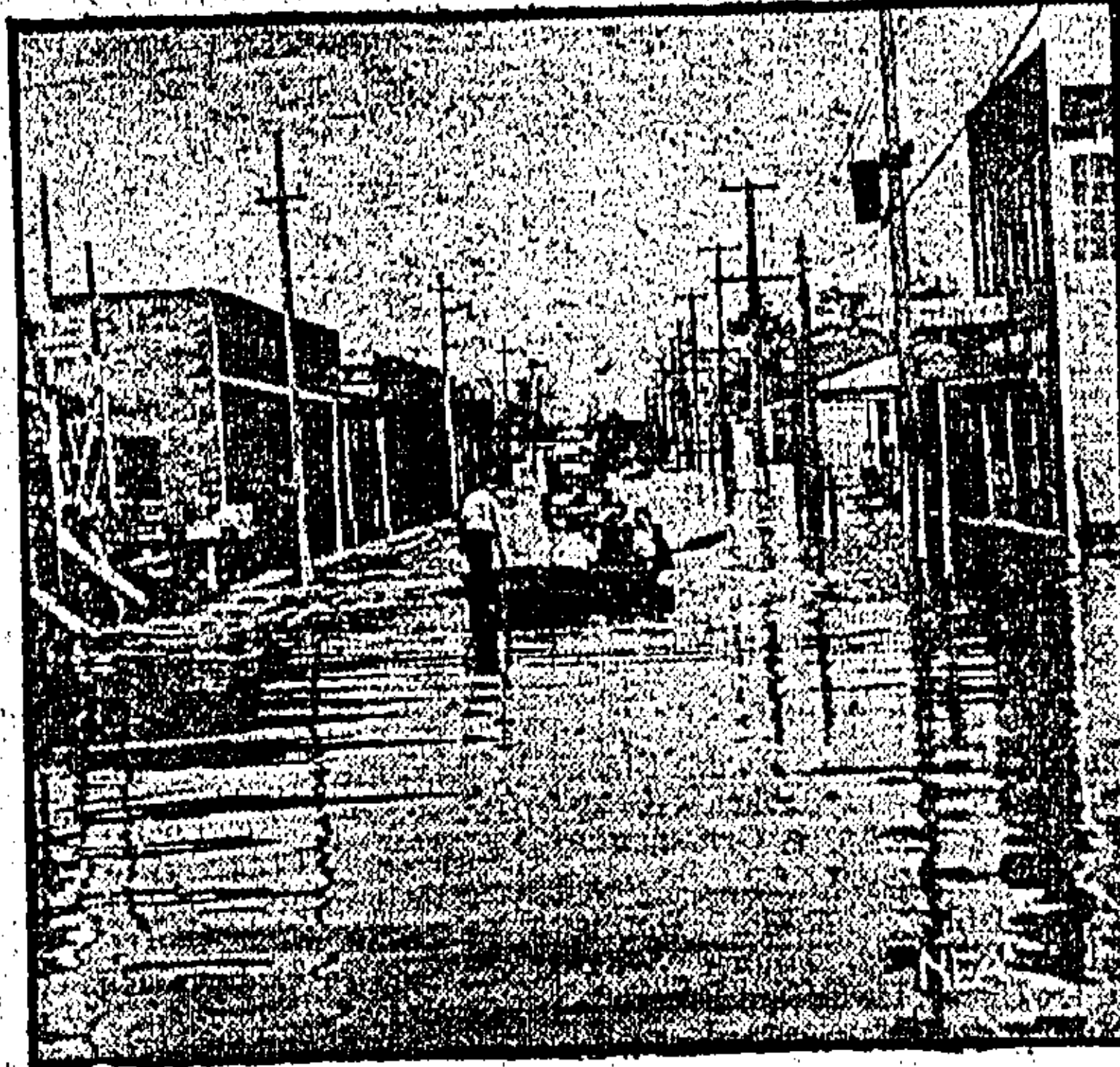
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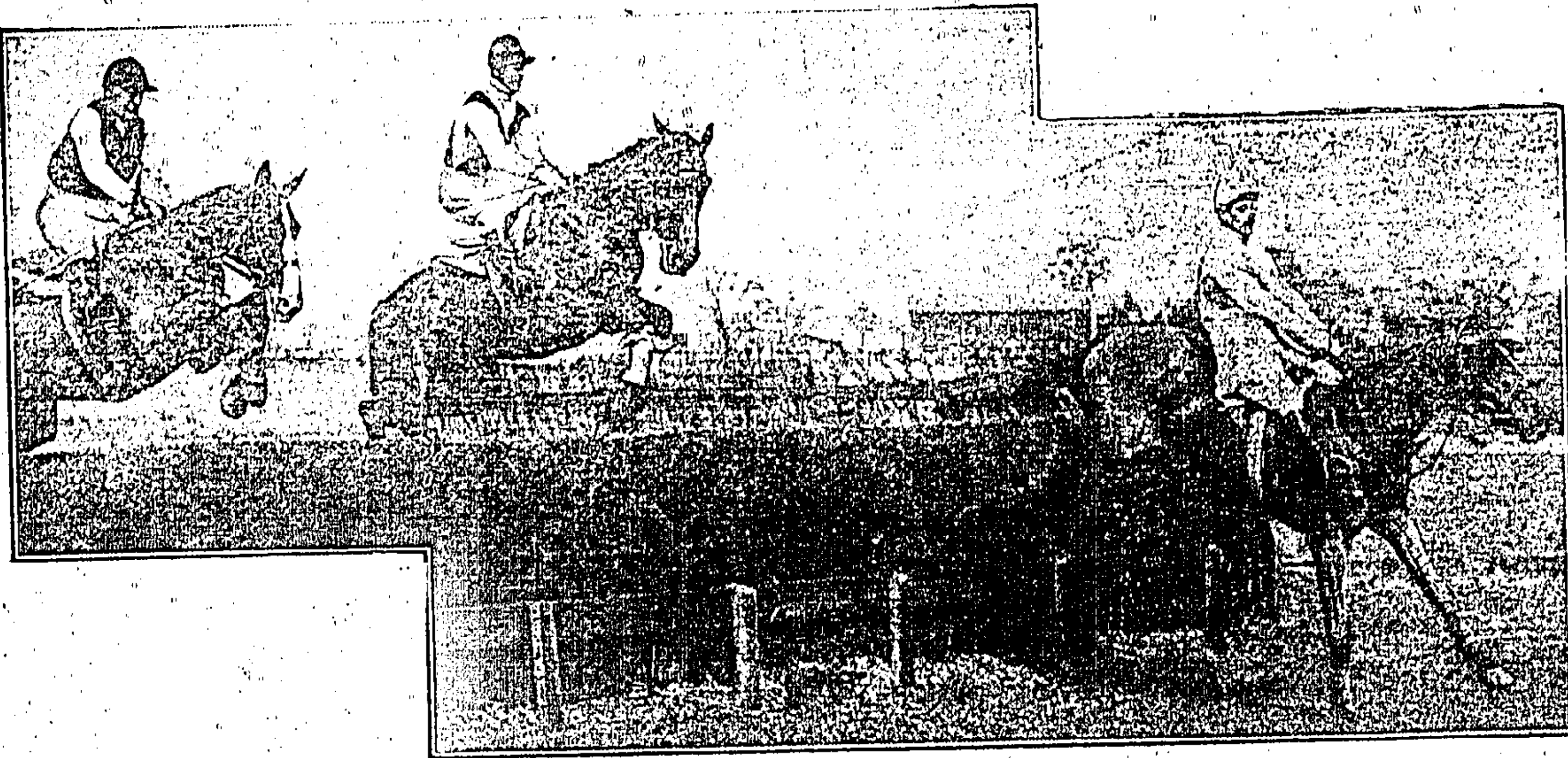




FRENCH HEROINES HONOURED.—Four Frenchwomen who played gallant parts in hiding British soldiers from the Germans were presented by the Lord Mayor of London with annuities subscribed for by the public. Our photograph, taken at the Mansion House, London, shows Trooper Patrick Fowler, 11th. Hussars, leaving the wardrobe in which Madame Belmont-Gobert and her daughter, seen on either side of him, concealed him for nearly four years in their house at Borty. On the left is Madame Cardon and on the right Madame Baudhuin, both of whom suffered imprisonment in Germany for succouring British soldiers. (Times copyright).



ARKANSAS FLOOD.—Boats have come into use on the streets of Little Rock, Arkansas, where 150 houses are afloat in the eastern section of the city. Flood waters have driven 300 people from their homes and 75 blocks are inundated.



HOUSEHOLD BRIGADE STEEPLECHASES.—Taking the ditch in the Grenadier Guards' Challenge Cup at the Household Brigade Steeplechases, at Hawthorn Hill, Sir Anthony Lindsay-Hogg's Flavia II (Mr. H. Tate up), is seen leading the winner, Mr. W. R. West's Magic Blue, owner up (centre). On the left is Captain C. E. M. Ellison on Rooster, who fell later in the race. Flavia II, finished second. (Times copyright).



MAJOR B. IRES. Using an aeroplane instead of the Santa Maria, lowered Christopher Columbus' time across the Atlantic to 17 hours. He flew from Portuguese Guinea to the island of Fernando de Noronha, northeast of Brazil. The distance was 1,524 miles.



DEDICATION AT TCC H. CHURCH.—The dedication of the Forster Memorial in the Chapel of the Lamp in All Hallows, Barking-by-the-Tower. The Rev. P. B. Clayton, Chaplain of TCC H., is on the left; Bishop Talbot is in the centre; and the Prince of Wales, who unveiled the memorial, is on the right. (Times copyright).

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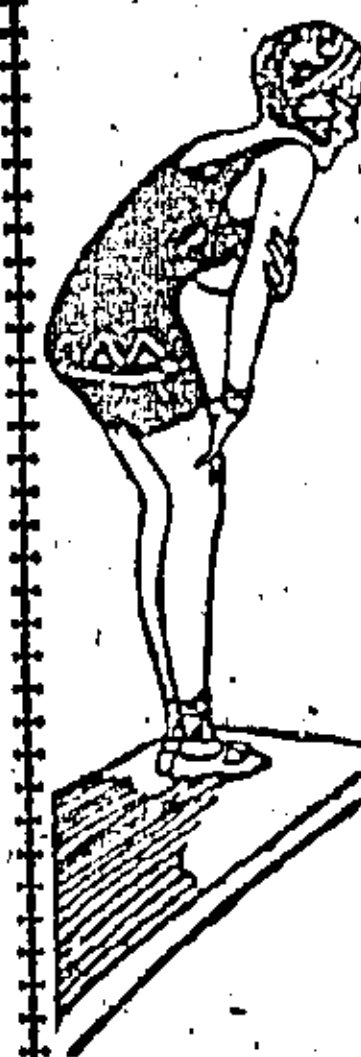
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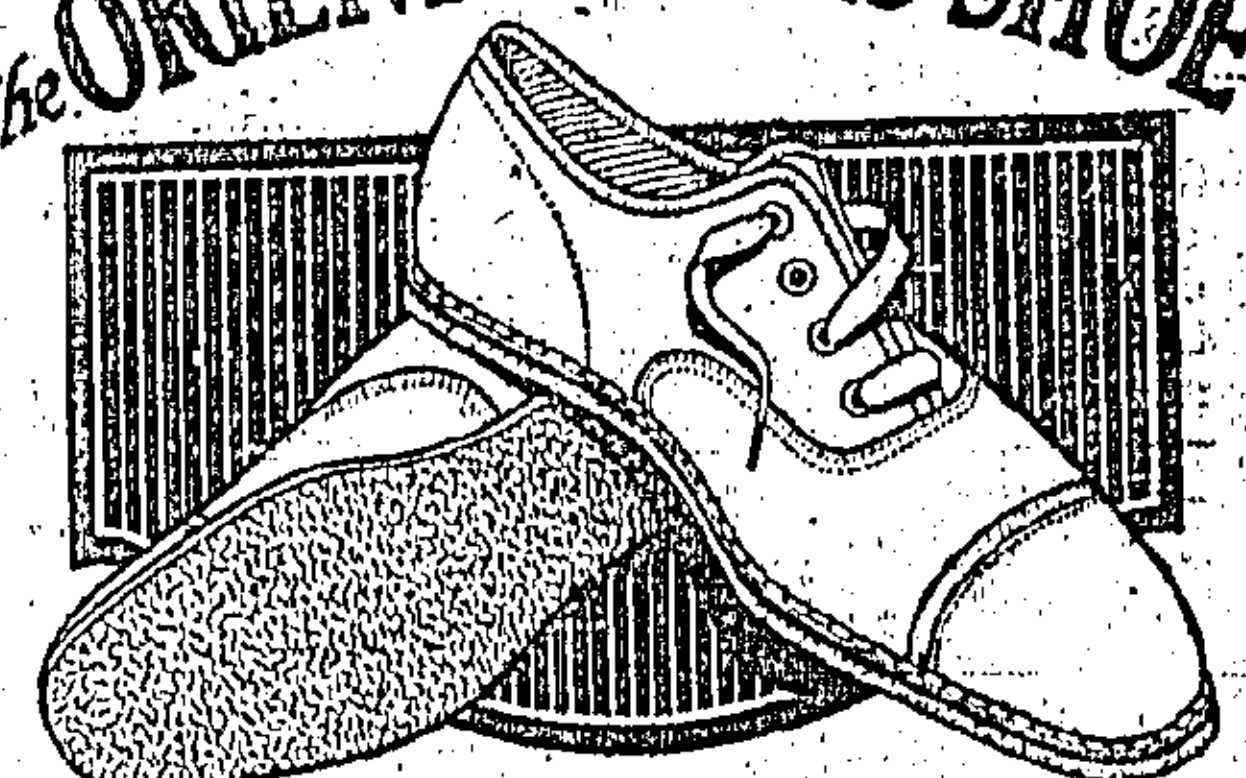
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NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixth Annual General Meeting of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office, 2nd Floor, Powell's Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong, on Tuesday, 31st May, 1927, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a statement of accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1927.

The Transfer books of the Company will be closed from 24th May to 31st May, 1927, both days inclusive.

Dated Hongkong, 23rd May, 1927.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder Street, on Tuesday, 7th June, 1927, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 26th May to 7th June, 1927, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 16th May, 1927.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its office, Prince's Building, Hongkong, on Tuesday, 31st May, 1927, at 4.00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st March, 1927.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE COMPANY will be closed from Friday, 27th May, 1927, to Tuesday, 31st May, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order,
of the Board of Directors,
S. K. MOOSA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1927.

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A Large Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.

Comprising:

Teak Hatstands, Teak Glass Cabinet, Desk and Bookcase Combined, Carpets, Rugs, Ornaments, Book Cases, etc., etc.

Teak Dining Table, Dining Chairs, Sideboard, Dinner Wagon, Ice Chest, Ice Cream Freezers, Crockery, etc., etc.

Brass, Teak and Iron Bedsteads, Teak Wardrobes with Bevelled Mirrors, Dressing Tables with Bevelled Mirror, Teak Chest of Drawers, Chamber Stands, etc., etc.

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A Quantity of Blackwood Furniture.

1 Combination Safe.
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at No. 7, Queen's Garden

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comprising:—

Chesterfield Couch and Chairs, Teak Bookcase, Glass Cabinet, Carpets, Pictures, Ornaments, etc., etc.

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also

A Few Pieces of Blackwood Ware.

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LAMMERT BROS.
Auctioneers.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on WEDNESDAY,

the 1st June, 1927,

commencing at 10.30 a.m.

at No. 12B, Mody Road, Kowloon.

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.

comprising:—

Teak Hatstand, Chesterfield Couch and Chair, (Upholstered with Fine Silk Brocade), Teak Bookcase, Glass Cabinet, Screen, Carpets, Curtains, Pictures, Ornaments, etc., etc.

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HONGKONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

All proposed alterations to the rules of the above Association, the Challenge Shield Competition, Lai Wah Cup and Sunday Herald Charity Cup Competitions must be forwarded to the undersigned not later than the 31st May, 1927.

W. E. HOLLANDS,
Secretary.

P. O. Box 238.

MACAO RACES.

SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING.

SATURDAY, 28TH & SUNDAY, 29TH MAY, 1927.

First Race 2.15 p.m.

Entrance to Public Enclosure 40 cts.

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Special Race Steamers will run as under:

Saturday, 28th May.

From Hongkong.

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Sunday, 29th May.

From Hongkong. Sui An 9.00 a.m.

From Macao.

Sui Tai 5.00 p.m. Sui An 6.30 p.m.

Members are advised that they must show their badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Members may introduce two Ladies. Tickets may be had on application to the Secretary I.R.C. Macao free of charge.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-Members to the Members' Enclosure. Tickets may be obtained at the Entrance Gate.

MISTAKES MOTHERS MAKE.

Many mothers give their children solid food at too early an age and say proudly that their babies "eat everything that grown up people do," when such a course is almost certain to bring on indigestion and to lay the foundation of much ill-health.

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THE IDEAL WOMAN.

MOST MODERN IN EVERYTHING.

How delightful it is, at times, to sit and dream of wonderful women; of the gifts and graces that we most covet. And then come to earth only to find how wonderful some women are without any thought of perfection.

But if I really could choose, give me the most modern in everything. Let's have progression, and no going back to the "good old days." Why, even our most modern modes will be dubbed old-fashioned in a few years. So give me the shingle and the slim silhouette of present types, fair, and of the Anglo-Saxon stamp.

Beauty of features is unimportant, but what of the subtle question of age? Of course, it is an unwritten law to plump for youth. Now, youth's very thrilling, but if a woman is clever and preserves herself, from 30 to 40 should be her greatest period. Youthful joys and indiscretions are delightful, but easily forgotten and forgiven. Later there should be more discretion, more maturity, more appreciation of values, and consequently more enjoyment.

The Ideal Temperament.

Temperament, as distinct from character, must influence all things. I am one of those people who are deeply depressed or highly elated. I would not call that ideal, because one is apt to magnify difficulties, but an ideal temperament must be sensitive to express personality. Some temperaments are so terribly level and undisturbed that they scarcely seem to live.

An artistic temperament must be my choice, although the ideal woman must have some sporting gifts. She would play bridge, because those who cannot are often a bore. She would be "useful" at tennis because the woman who will not make a fourth may be a nuisance. So with golf: I would include these minor accomplishments not so much for themselves, but in order that the woman may take her part in everyday life and other folk's affairs.

Of course, genius in any direction is a valuable asset, but for small talent I would ask nothing better than to be able to play the piano well by ear.

I wouldn't give a thought for position in creating my woman. Riches or poverty do not preclude ideals, but I would have my ideal married.

A Question of Individuality.

Nationality is a vexed question. While an English man is the only thing in the world to be, for a woman I would make it American or English. But it's so much a question of individuality. You may say you dislike Americans and yet find some delightful. As an American I do say that, on masses, our women are the most attractive in the world. I mean, if you take any ten women, five American and five English, the States women would all be attractive. Of the English, one might be more beautiful and have more charm than any of the Americans, but the other four would not be up to the American average. So Anglo-Saxon is as far as I can go in nationality.

But I am in no two minds about character. Charm, above everything, Beauty without charm is wasted. And, mind you, I want a woman with charm, not just a charming woman. And the ideal woman, because she has charm, has a sense of humour. I think that always follows. Beyond that give me the heart of gold, the heart that loves and gives when no one is looking. With it will surely be that tolerance of other people's weaknesses that compels affection.

Such then, would be my ideal woman, an inspiration and a delight, yet still retaining the essential femininity that alone can make her true woman.—Miss Tailulah Bankhead.



Spring poets are getting verse and verse.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

NOTICE.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

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Deliverable articles forwarded by letter post to Great Britain are liable to cancellation by the Customs. Such articles should be forwarded by parcel post only.

During the interruption of the Hongkong-Macao cable service the Hongkong Station will remain open for the exchange of telegrams with Hongkong from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. The Hongkong Station is always open and messages are accepted at any time throughout the 24 hours.

Letters and postcards only for the United Kingdom and Europe will be forwarded via Siberia if so superscribed.

The Radio Telegraph Service between Hongkong and Swatow has been resumed and telegrams for Swatow are now accepted under the same conditions and at the same rates as for Canton.

Parcel Post service between Hongkong and Ports of the Yangtze West of Hankow is temporarily suspended.

INWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Due
Shanghai	Sunling	May 28.
Straits	Hakozaki Maru	May 28.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Pierce	May 29.
Manila	Empress of Canada	May 30.
Shanghai	Aconia	June 30.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Emp. of Russia	June 30.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Monroe	June 30.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Jackson	June 30.

OUTWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kochow	Fri., May 27, 4.30 p.m.
Manila and parcels for Germany only via Hamburg	Coblenz	Fri., May 27, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Morea	Sat., May 28.
	G.P.O.	K.P.O.
	Parcels 27th 5.00 p.m.	4.30 p.m.
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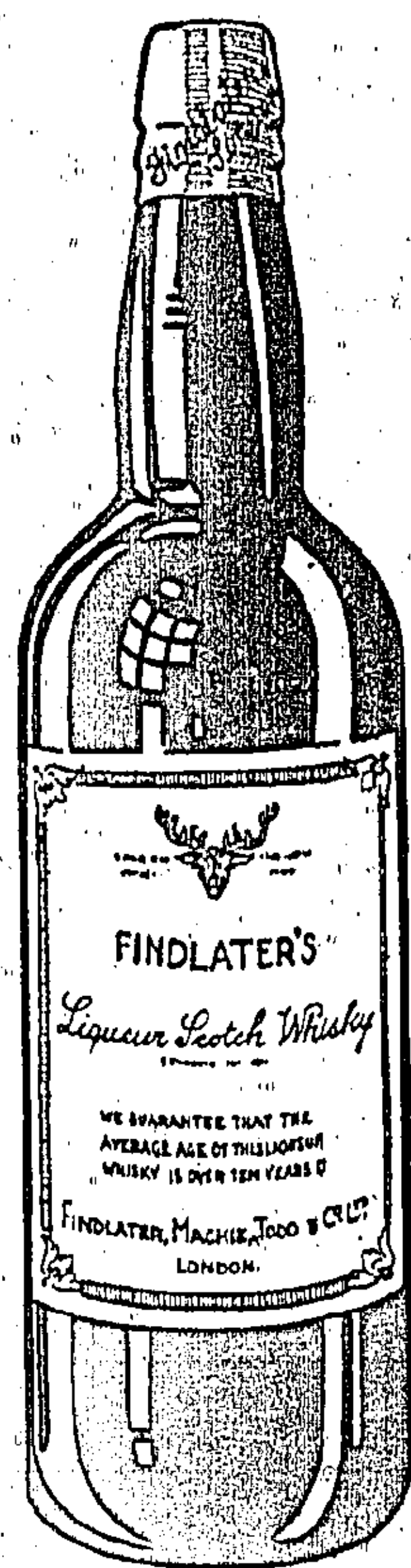


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TELEPHONISTS'S "LOAD."

TOO MUCH WORK AND SUPERVISION.

Complaint of the way in which the standard "load" for telephonists was applied by the Post Office was made by Miss Edith Howse when the Postal Workers Wages Inquiry was resumed before the Civil Service Industrial Court in London the other day.

The standard load is reckoned on the basis of 200 unit-calls and was fixed by the Post Office after investigation abroad.

Miss Howse wanted to know what methods were employed to ascertain the information on which the standard load was based, the conditions of service that prevailed at the time, and whether the physical capacity was judged by medical men or traffic supervisors. She suspected that the investigation was made in America.

The Union's contention had always been that if the tests and observations made by the Department had been taken in a proper manner with due regard to the circumstances and conditions obtaining there could have been no reason why the Post Office should not have placed all its cards on the table and accepted the proposal for independent inquiry by the Industrial Fatigue Research Board.

Pumping Up and Down.

According to Miss Howse, investigations made at Manchester showed that telephonists were frequently carrying loads in excess of their standard.

Miss Howse referred to the strenuous work imposed on operators by the necessity to reach the top points on the multiple boards, and quoted from a report of a Medical Inter-Departmental Committee which declared that the perpetual jumping up and down produced a nervous strain on those engaged at the switchboard.

Miss Howse said the amount of supervision was strongly resented, and the observations kept by supervisors sometimes for half an hour at a time added with a stopwatch, seriously affected the capacity of conscientious workers. Miss Howse emphasised that a contented staff could not be secured while the present low wage was permitted to be paid by the department.

EMISSARY FROM CHINA.

FORMER SINGAPORE STUDENT.

The *Siam Observer* of May 11 states that a Chinese emissary from the Nationalist Government had been taken in custody by the Bangkok Police and would be deported. He is a young man of education, and, for his age, of considerable experience.

It is interesting to note, states our Bangkok contemporary, that he arrived here from Singapore, where he personally studied the field and reported to Mr. Eugene Chen. He had been in Siam over a fortnight before he was taken into custody on the 2nd inst. since when he has been confined in the International Gaol.

Ung Chor Kuang, or Hanmin Huang, as he has been known in Singapore and Europe, is only 24 years of age and had his early education in Singapore. He was first at the St. Joseph's College and later took up a two years' study at the Medical School.

Besides English he also took lessons in French while in Singapore. From Singapore he went to a Paris University to study literature and sociology and while there was sub-editor of the *Kuo Ming*, a bi-weekly Chinese paper, in which capacity he served for about seven months.

MAROONED.

NEW INLAND SEAS IN AMERICA.

Thousands of people are marooned on islands in newly-formed inland seas in the Middle Southern States of America owing to Mississippi floods, which are still coming down in greater volume than ever, reports a Home contemporary in mail week.

Areas of land under water are equal to the whole extent of Lancashire and Yorkshire.

Aeroplanes are spying out the expanse to report to the Rescue and Relief Department where people are marooned on mounds or in trees—or to drop food to them where the currents prevent access by boat.

State officials are organising a fleet of 4000 vessels to sail the inland seas and assist the isolated groups and individual Robinson Crusoes.

Living with Wild Animals. The tributaries of "the father of waters" are rolling over fertile agricultural lands in rivers which now vary in width from one to ten miles. Despite ample warning of what was impending more than 150 persons are known to have been drowned (says a *Daily Chronicle* correspondent.)

Since President Coolidge on Friday issued his appeal to the nation for relief funds for 75,000 destitute refugees the number of these has risen to more than 100,000.

A majority of the "new islanders" are negroes. Many groups are huddled together in terror and despair, seeing no hope of succour. Others are marooned in trees or on the tops of hillocks or ridges. Swarming round some of the groups are cattle and swamp-beasts and other wild animals—now tamed—which had sought safety with the human beings on the little Ararat when the crumbling dykes let loose the deluge. Such groups of people are, of course, in no immediate danger for lack of food.

In not a few instances men and women had the presence of mind and time and luck enough to be able to provision their mounds of refuge, and have even spared some of the supplies for their four-footed fellows in misfortune.

On the great levees, or river bank, dams which are still holding good—marking in black streaks for miles and miles where the ordinary course of the river lies—there are crowded many thousands of refugees.

Planes Dropping Food. Greenville, in Mississippi State, 300 miles from the sea, has had its normal population of 12,000 doubled by the influx of refugees. And now this town of refuge is itself being evacuated as fast as vessels can be found to take the people away.

Near Greenville 9000 cattle are grazing contentedly regardless of their doom.

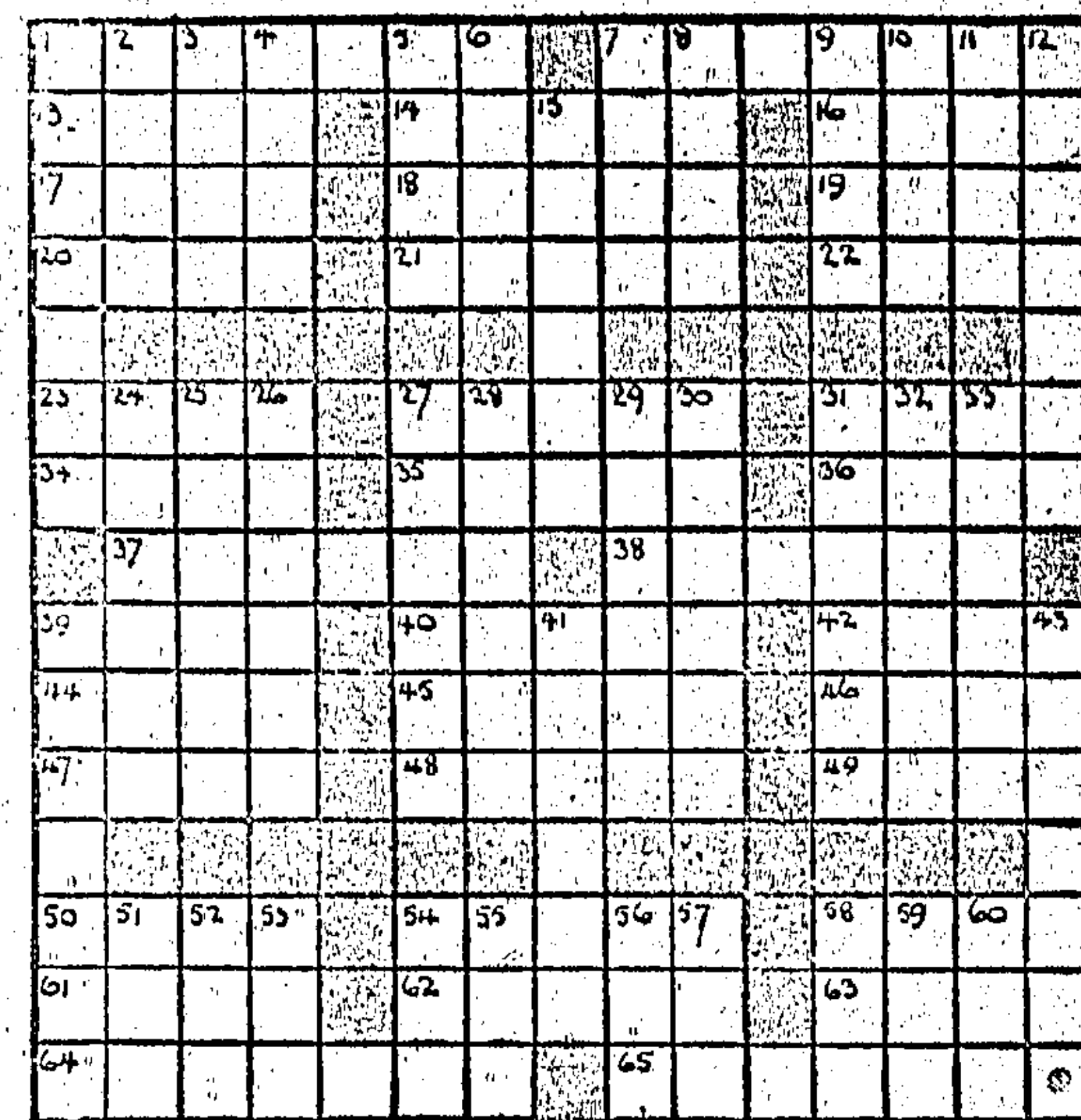
As the relief is better organised aeroplanes and seaplanes are beginning to skim above the inland seas like swallows—veritable messengers of hope and deliverance. For their mission is to discover isolated sufferers and observe distress signals. Dangerous work this is, for the planes must fly very low and far from possible landing places.

For instance, in the 150 miles between Little Rock in Arkansas and Memphis in Tennessee (which latter city is the principal relief centre) there are only two towns where airmen can alight.

Planes are also being used to drop food and clothing to the suffering groups, and to lonely Robinson Crusoes. One flying observer spotted a shirt being waved from a hole cut in the roof of a cotton ginny, where several people were marooned in a loft. Because no power boat has been available and no row boats could battle with currents, this flier has been dropping provisions through that 6 ft. hole ever since Thursday.

While a 40 m.p.h. wind was blowing he had to fly within 10 ft. of the roof so as to contrive to hit the opening with his edible missiles.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



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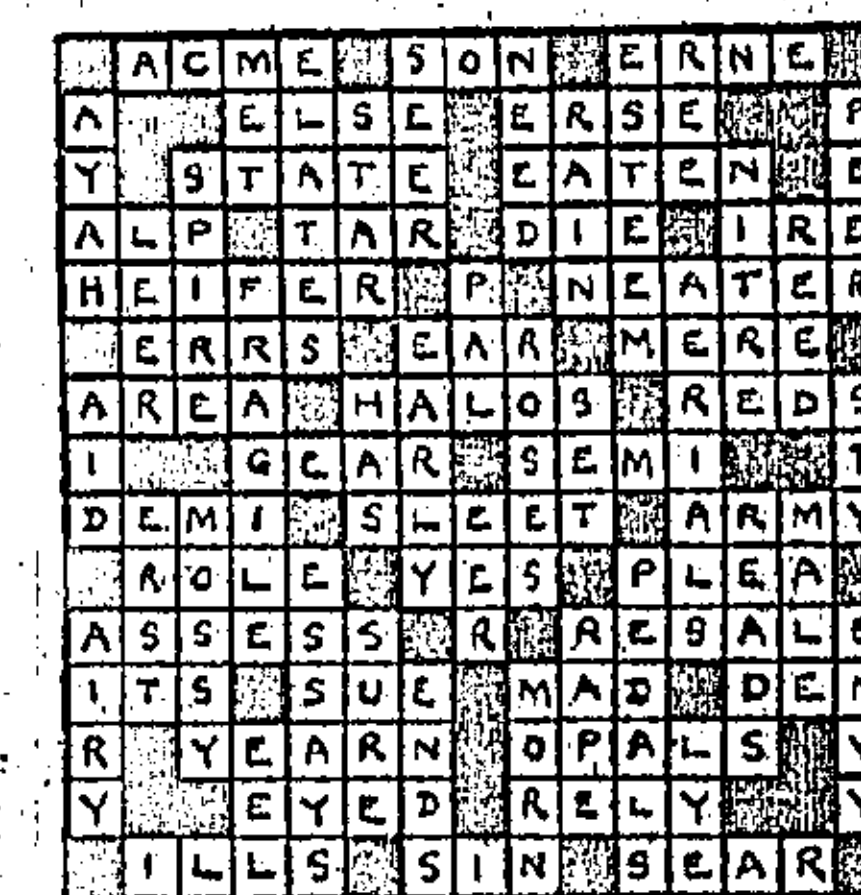
- 1 Unusual.
- 7 Brief.
- 13 Circular band of metal.
- 14 Coldness in the human system.
- 16 In place of.
- 17 Before.
- 18 Religion of Mohammed.
- 19 Forthwith.
- 20 Road.
- 21 In want.
- 22 Loaned.
- 23 Gaelic.
- 27 Made gentle.
- 31 Kind of coat.
- 34 Bring up.
- 35 Duchy in Germany.
- 36 Exclamation of pity.
- 37 Man who tends furnace.
- 38 Sixpence (slang).
- 39 Filled with roc.
- 40 One who sets a value on.
- 42 Excess excitement.
- 44 On the lee side.
- 45 Girl's name.
- 46 Abnormal noise in the lungs.
- 47 Caves.
- 48 Less attractive aspect of life.
- 49 Squirrel's nest.
- 50 Assent.
- 54 Bundle of corn stalks.
- 58 Genus of plants similar to the Lily.
- 61 Egyptian river.
- 62 Hurry.
- 63 Cause to flow.
- 64 Wedge for building-block under ship's keel.
- 65 Superintendents of newspapers.

Down.

- 1 Cause to break up.
- 2 Modulation of the voice.
- 3 School roll.
- 4 One who ayes.
- 5 Win.
- 6 Other.
- 7 Burden.
- 8 A host.

- 9 Egg-shaped.
- 10 Number.
- 11 Image.
- 12 Middle points.
- 15 Rays.
- 24 Sole again.
- 25 Fabric with glossy surface.
- 26 Corrodes.
- 27 There is (contraction).
- 28 Charge with carbonic acid gas.
- 29 Prize.
- 30 Tenderly.
- 31 Faded report.
- 32 Sour ale.
- 33 Word of honour.
- 39 Giving out rays.
- 41 River in England.
- 43 Hot water fountains.
- 51 Content.
- 52 Troop.
- 53 Dress fabric.
- 54 Feminine pronoun.
- 55 Head covering.
- 56 Consumed.
- 57 Took food.
- 58 Liable.
- 59 Card game.
- 60 Belonging to us.

Yesterday's Puzzle.



"WORLD-WEARINESS."

GIRL'S FATAL RETURN VISIT TO PARIS.

A pretty American girl, Miss Marion Roberts (25), who reached Paris from the United States, was 18 hours later found shot dead in a two-seater car.

Beside her was her fiancé, Mr. Julian Meredith (31), an American, also dead.

It is believed that the tragedy took place about 10 o'clock at night, but it was not until after 6 o'clock the next morning that a quarryman happened to pass along the lonely road about 20 miles south of Paris, and saw the car standing with its light on.

On the floor of the vehicle lay a heavy revolver.

Mr. Meredith, who was born in Paris, met Miss Roberts about two years ago on the voyage from America.

They fell in love, though he was married at the time. A divorce soon followed, and they became engaged.

Pupil of Cortot. In Paris Miss Roberts studied

music and was a very clever pupil of the famous pianist Cortot. Meredith was also interested in music, and had taken lessons in singing.

About ten months ago Miss Roberts had to return to the States to recuperate after a serious operation, her fiancé stayed on in Paris.

Meredith went to Havre to meet his fiancée on her return and they travelled together to Paris.

Later they set out in the two-seater car, which he told his friends he had bought for her a week before.

About ten o'clock they drew up at a little hotel restaurant at Chermant, where they had a light supper.

According to the proprietor, they were in quite a happy mood. It was only about a mile and a quarter from Chermant that the tragedy took place.

Motive Problem.

The police are not yet sure whether it is a case of double suicide or murder and suicide. It is not yet quite clear what were the motives for the tragedy.

The proprietress of the boarding-house where the man lived describes him as a very quiet man, a hard worker, and deeply in love

with his fiancée.

Among his friends, however (says a *Daily Chronicle* correspondent), it is stated that during Miss Roberts' absence in America he had another love affair with a young woman described as "a friend of his childhood."

One suggestion is that Meredith had told Miss Roberts of this "affair," with the result that they quarrelled.

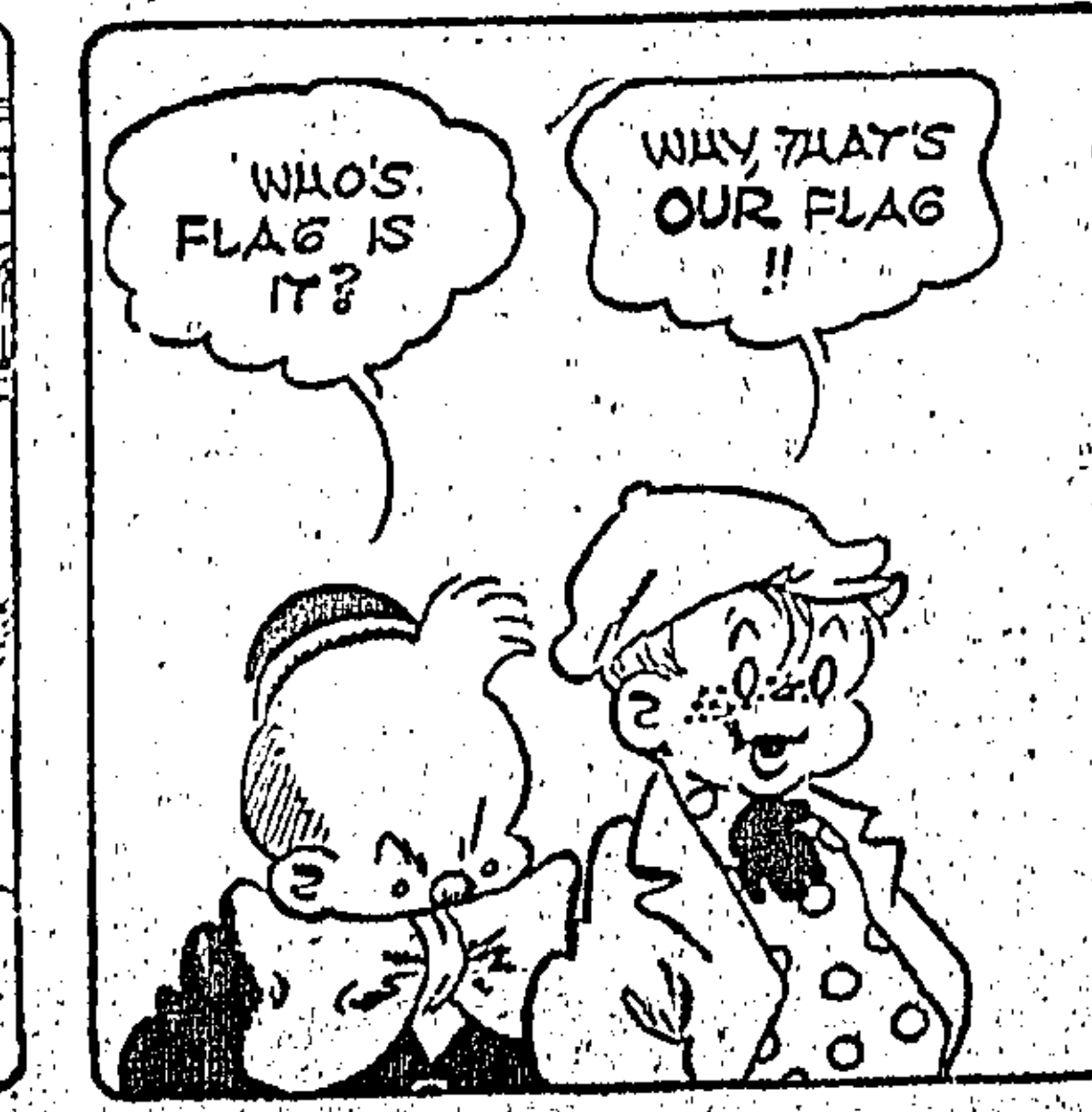
It is also stated that of late Meredith had been in financial difficulties.

Another account of the tragedy says that the young man was still living but on the point of death when found. He died before any effort could be made to help him.

Miss Roberts had been shot three times through the head. She was a pianist of some note in Chicago, and meant to make her debut on the concert stage in Paris this year.

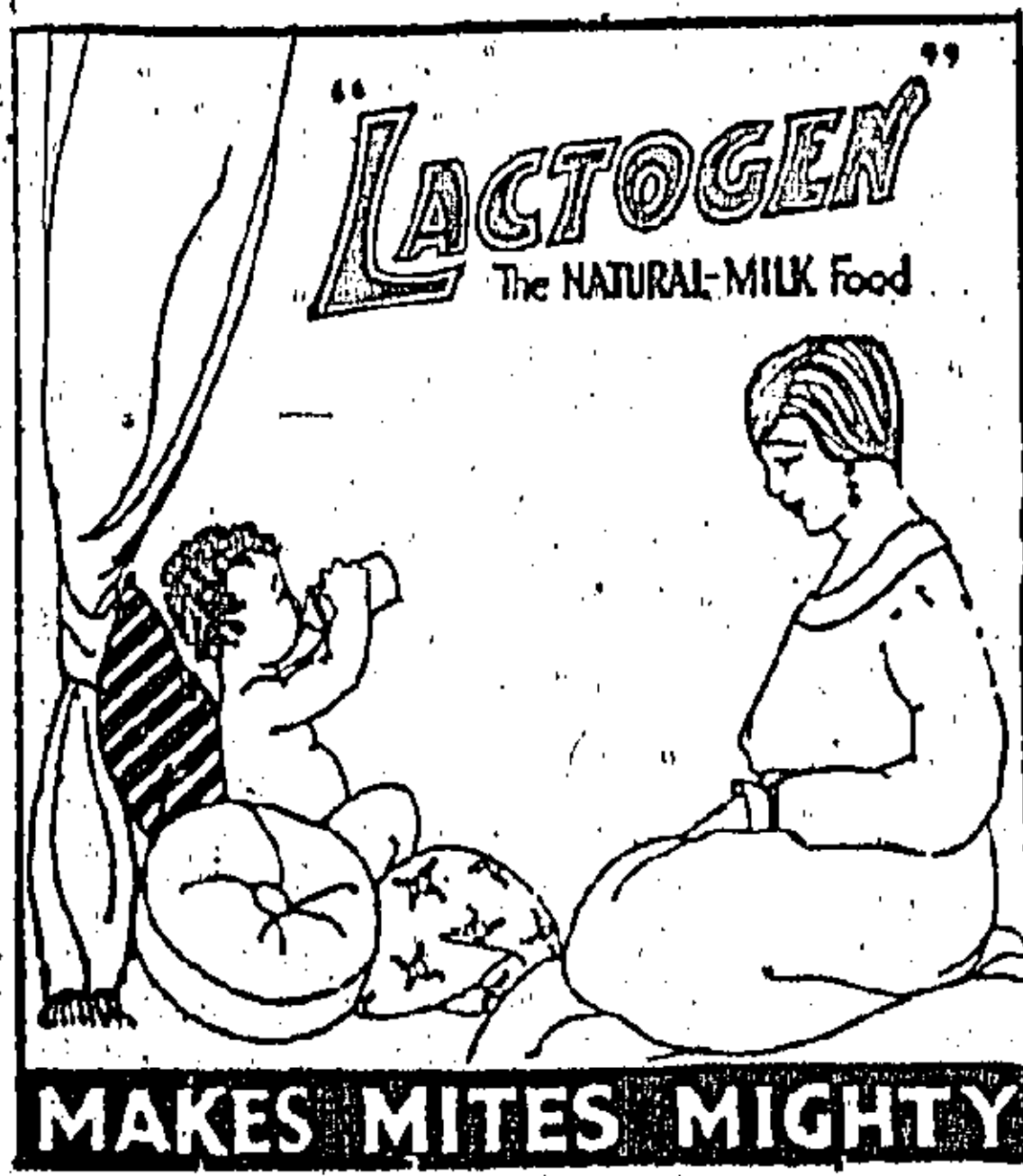
There is not a shadow of motive for the crime (says the *London Morning Post*), unless it can be traced to the associations of the Latin Quarter—now thoroughly un-French—in which the two young people had lived, or to the wave of world weariness from which the educated youth of America is said to be suffering.

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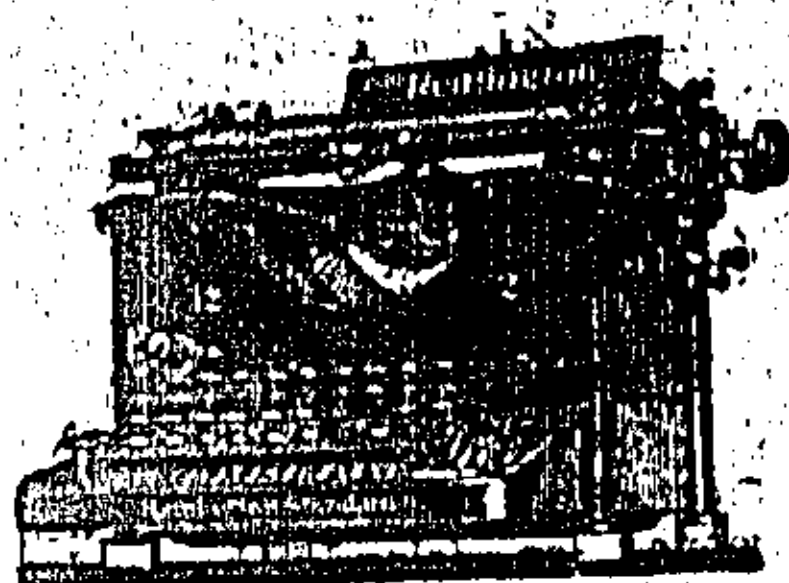
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SUNDAY CARGOES.

We think there will be general public sympathy for Captain Mutton, of the s.s. Wing On, who was yesterday fined \$250 for permitting the working of cargo on board his ship on Sunday, without having obtained the necessary permit to do so, because it would appear from the evidence that the cargo in question was the "luggage" of cargo runners and that taking on board of packages by them has been going on for years. Possibly, there is a great deal of what ought to be considered "cargo" taken on board the river steamers on Sundays in this way, but it seems to us a little hard when a Master, who says he has seen this sort of thing going on for ten years, is suddenly taken to Court and made to pay a fine of \$250. The evidence of tallies and watchmen all went to corroborate the statement that what the cargo runners took on board was not considered as cargo by anyone. Of course, it might be that an offence was clearly committed, but the evidence revealed that there is a great deal that is unsatisfactory regarding the manner in which this Sunday Cargo Working Ordinance operates, so far as river steamers are concerned. When one goes back to the origin of the Ordinance, one finds that it was passed in 1891—36 years ago—mainly on the petition of the Missions to Seamen in London, which body tried to get the working of cargo restricted in all British Colonies and possessions for the benefit of seamen. We find that after the passing of the Hongkong law, appreciative letters were written to the then Lord Knutsford, who was Secretary of State for the Colonies, thanking him for the passage of the Bill, which was "a great boon to seamen as it prevented unnecessary and avoidable Sunday labour in ships."

But there was no such approval of the law by the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce, for we find that the Hon. Mr. P. Ryrie and the Hon. Mr. T. H. Whitehead, as representing the Chamber, (and who were both away from the Colony at the time the Bill was passed through the Legislative Council) appealed to His Excellency the Governor to have the Bill discussed over again. It was resented as being an interference with the trading of ships. Nothing came of that appeal, however, and the law has stood ever since, that if the cargo of any steamship or sailing ship of European design (excepting men-of-war) is worked on a Sunday then

a permit must be obtained. It should be noted that the definition of cargo does not include, among other things, personal luggage, and this was said to be the character of the "cargo" being carried aboard Captain Mutton's ship. But the authorities disagreed with that contention. The scale of fees for permits is not a low one, and this explains the substantial nature of the fine inflicted yesterday. The point to be remembered about this law, we think, is that it was designed to protect European seamen from working when in port on Sundays, but times have changed vastly since 1891. Practically all cargo work in this Colony is done by Chinese stevedores among whom there is not the same concern regarding the breaking of the fourth Commandment as there might be among British seamen. Not that we do not think that one day's rest in seven is good for every man, be he British, Chinese or Zulu, but it is obvious that the average Chinese does not at present regard Sunday working as a hardship, and most certainly has no religious scruples on the matter. We ought to keep in view the intention of the legislature in passing this law—the protection of Christian seamen from forced working of cargo on Sundays. The Hongkong Government still retains in most of its contracts for public works a stipulation that there shall be no work performed on Sundays, but, from our own observation, we can say that that stipulation is more honoured in the breach than in the observance. Regarding the Sunday working of cargoes, we do suggest that some regard should be had to the circumstances of every case. Most certainly as regards Chinese-owned river steamers flying the British flag and on which there are no British seamen and only two or three British officers it does seem ridiculous to fine a Master because some "cargo" is taken on board. We suggest that the matter might very profitably re-engage the attention of our law framers.

Colonial Improvements.

The Colonial Office Conference, which has been sitting for some time in London, has discussed a number of questions of general interest to the Crown Colonies, Dependencies, and Protectorates, ranging widely over practically every aspect of administrative problems in the smaller parts of the Empire. The whole session has savoured of a broad-minded view of the changed times, with a gratifying endeavour to visualise progressive schemes, in line with the greater measure of self-expression that has been granted to the bigger Colonies. If all the projects brought up at this conference materialise, we shall have an Empire with a greatly increased voice in matters of administration, and a better status for the London-directed areas of subordinate territories, but the cry has been that some of them are far too subordinate. Even locally, there are cases where the public have felt that reference to the Home Government in each and every particular of administration is irksome. The conference is likely to bring about reforms in the way of increased co-ordination in research, health, education, and so forth, all very desirable improvements so far as they go. But of principal interest is the definite declaration by the Secretary of State for the Colonies that the Government Services will see early changes for the better. Presumably, he had in mind the proposed interchange of officers, as outlined at a previous sitting. This is a matter that has been advocated for a good many years, and no doubt can bring about much improvement in certain directions, such as commercial relations and co-operation of enlarged legislatures, however, has no doubt not been lost sight of. There is special mention of Ceylon, though apparently that body is still in process of finding its feet. It is some time since the Malayan body was reformed in response to a public demand that the official majority be abolished, with the result that the unofficial representatives now include new members elected by certain sections of the community, and the officials no longer have an overwhelming vote. Hongkong, inevitably, must observe these things with marked self-interest. The urge for better conditions has long existed. Perhaps the Colonial Office Conference will result in something more concrete than mere promises, which hitherto have been the only portion of the would-be reformers here

DAY BY DAY.

THE WORLD DOES NOT REQUIRE SO MUCH TO BE INFORMED AS TO BE REMINDED.—*Hannah More.*

There were four Chinese cases of enteric fever notified yesterday, three in the city district and one in Kowloon.

Vessels arriving from the West River state that within the last five days, the water there has risen over 25 feet.

The Mentsz Customs Commissioner, Mr. Walsham, and his family, arrived Hongkong by the s.s. Tonkin yesterday, and are staying at the Hotel Metropole.

The Harbour Office reports this morning gave 17 arrivals and 13 departures, of which 10 and six respectively were British, leaving 58 vessels in harbour, 21 British.

The Hospital Comforts Committee began to acknowledge with thanks receipt of parcels of magazines from Mrs. A. R. Sutherland, Mrs. R. Dunlop, Mrs. H. Richardson, Mrs. F. S. Duckworth and Mrs. A. Morris.

Gen. Pei Chung-hsi, the Shanghai martial law commissioner, has circulated an order to all Nationalist bureaux in Shanghai and Woosung, instructing them not to cash notes issued by the Central Bank in Hankow.

Among the passengers disembarking in Hongkong this morning off the s.s. Morea from Japan and Shanghai were Mr. and Mrs. K. Reynolds, Mr. F. J. Jersich, Mr. T. Storey, Mr. P. A. Morton, Mrs. Ferrier and Mrs. R. R. Roxburgh.

Gen. Huang Fu is said to have declined the Nationalist appointment as chairman of the Chinese Municipal Council for Shanghai and Woosung. The Nationalist authorities have sent a representative to urge him to assume duty as early as possible.

A Chinese employee of the Hongkong Telephone Company has been sent to the Kwong Wah Hospital, Kowloon, suffering from injuries received from a fall from the first floor of No. 2, Lyemum Villas, whilst removing telephone wire brackets from the house.

The recently postponed concert organised by the Kowloon Cricket Club, will now take place tomorrow night at 9.15 p.m. A most attractive programme has been arranged by the Band and Pipers of the K.O.S.B's. It is expected that there will be a large attendance.

Fearing that Communists will spread rumours detrimental to the Nationalist cause through the post, General Chiang Kai-shek has instructed the Shanghai military agents to conduct a strict censorship of all telegrams and letters despatched from Shanghai to Hankow or vice versa.

At the Marine Court this morning, two masters and one mistress of fishing boats pleaded guilty to using bright lights in a prohibited area, to wit, Channel Rocks, and were severally fined \$5 in the case of the masters and \$10 in the case of the mistress, she having a previous conviction for a similar offence.

A Chinese, stated to be a cook on the s.s. Sui An, was fined \$350, or in default three months' hard labour, for being in possession of three taels of prepared opium. The Magistrate, Mr. R. E. Lindsell, asked the man whether he used his position to smuggle opium, but the man, having pleaded guilty, made no reply.

A Chinese, riding a push-bicycle, collided with a motor car on the Kowloon City Road yesterday and was taken to the Kowloon Hospital. The man's condition is not serious. Another man was sent to the same hospital suffering from injuries to his head, sustained through alighting from a moving bus in Kowloon City.

Capt. Lindbergh, the hero of the New York to Paris flight has authorized the publication of the following statement: "In my flight New York to Paris my engine was lubricated with Garol Mobiloil and I am happy to say that it gave me every satisfaction and my engine functioned perfectly."—Charles A. Lindbergh.

Lieutenant P. E. Healey has reported to the Police that, whilst riding a pony near the Kowloon Hospital yesterday at about 5.30 p.m. the pony got out of control and ran away with him. It carried him through Waterloo Road and Nathan Road. At one spot where a number of people were waiting for a bus, the people scattered as the pony rushed towards them, but not quickly enough. One man was injured and later taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

21 YEARS AGO.

EXTRACTS FROM
"TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for that week ended May 26th, 1906:

The rate of the dollar on demand was 2s. 1.9/16d.

A new wharf was completed opposite the old Harbour Office for the Yuet On Steamship Coy., of which Mr. Chau Siu-ki was the general manager.

The Kowloon British School held a May Festival in the school-house.

Mr. H. E. R. Hunter, manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Shanghai, relieved Mr. J. R. M. Smith, chief manager of the Bank in Hongkong, who proceeded home on leave.

The Green Island Cement Coy. were successful bidders for the furnishing of 20,000 barrels of cement to Manila.

Mr. A. G. Jackson, solicitor, was admitted to practice in the Courts of the Colony. He was a nephew of Sir Thomas Jackson and had joined the firm of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master.

The current price of Australian butter was announced at 6s cents per lb.

The Hongkong vessel, Lucia Vittoria, the owners of which were Messrs. V. D. Musso and Coy, were reported stranded near Vladivostok.

Mrs. E. Tatcher was appointed Headmistress of the Bellios Public School, vice Mrs. E. A. Bateman, resigned.

The master of the British steamer Taiming reported having to abandon the hulk Marindique whilst towing her from Manila to Hongkong.

Mr. F. Kiene announces the opening of an auction salesroom at 12 Robinson Road, Kowloon.

CORRESPONDENCE.

WANCHAI GAS SUPPLY.

[To the Editor, *Hongkong Telegraph*.]

Sir,—May I be allowed to use your columns to disabuse the mind of your correspondent "Wantsai Resident" of the thought that the Gas Company willfully inconvenience their consumers by cutting off their supply without notice.

Not being aware of the identity of your correspondent I cannot give definite reasons for the failure of his supply but surmise that he was one of the few people who were for a short period inconvenienced owing to a main breaking and getting flooded during the heavy rains of last Saturday, Sunday and Monday. On receipt of complaints repairs were immediately put in hand and if your correspondent will send me his name and address, I can assure him of prompt attention.—Yours, etc.,

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LEUNG KWONG WRECK.

SLIDES INTO DEEP WATER.

On the authority of masters of vessels going through the Capsulmum Pass, it is announced that the wreck of the Leung Kwong, previously showing part of the funnel and masts, has entirely disappeared, together with the red light which was marking the scene of the casualty.

An unconfirmed report states that a diver from one of H. M. ships was sent down to ascertain whether or not the grilles were locked at the time of the sinking, was unable to locate the ship, and was compelled to return to the surface without any information of importance.

A vernacular paper announces that the body of the Chief Engineer, Mr. Donaldson, has been recovered, but enquiries at the Water Police and agents resulted in a complete denial of this, so far as they were concerned.

It is further alleged in the vernacular papers that the "pirates" in the vicinity of Capsulmum have in many cases picked up bodies of drowned passengers, and have taken from the bodies everything of value before reporting the find to the Police.

The Very Idea!

The motorist was down on his knees in the road by his left front wheel, when along came the ubiquitous idiot.

"Hullo," he said, "Got a puncture?"

"No," said the motorist darkly, "I'm collecting nuts for a cake."

He fought with someone twice his size.

A foolish thing to do.

There was a time his eyes were brown,

But now they're black and blue.

How a new office boy at the B.B.C. headquarters, Savoy Hill, recently received a shock which impelled him to run for his life is related by Mr. H. Lea Chilman in the *Wireless World*.

The cause of the youth's fright was the sudden appearance, through a door partly opened, of a hand grasping a huge revolver, which immediately "went off!" This extraordinary episode had its origin in the fact that revolver shots are extremely difficult to "get over" the microphone unless at a distance. The performer who was taking part in a radio drama at the time, had realised this fact, and was taking the rather obvious course of "firing" into the corridor outside the studio.

Willesden woman: My husband's work has defeated him, so he has given it up.

Magistrate at Willesden: What has this man done to you? Man: Nothing. Magistrate: Then what are you afraid of? Man: What I might do to him.

Nottinghamshire landlord? Should you regard your tenant as a nuisance when he strikes you on the head with a poker, and then refuses to pay the rent?

Man at Bow County Court: You could call me a maid-of-all-work, I do the housework for my wife, as I can't get anything else to do it.

A thief who recently entered the Church of the Nazarene at Newton, Kan., carried off as loot two Bibles and a reading glass. The intruder also ransacked the study of the pastor, the Rev. William Lamberts, but obtained nothing. "I hope the thief will read both Bibles," was the comment of the pastor.

Some "howlers":—Ethereal paid the Danes money to keep them quiet. This was called the dale.

Quadruped has no singular; you cannot have a horse with one leg. All brutes are imperfect animals; man alone is a perfect beast.

Almendraljeo, Spain.—This city has found an easy means of filling its depleted coffers. The mayor conceived the idea of taxing all women under his jurisdiction according to the length of their skirts. A damsel showing only her ankle pays the minimum rate, while those wishing to display calves or knees must give up proportionate amounts. The more fashionable the lady, the higher the tax. No increase in the length of skirts has been noted.

The laird's daughter was reading a letter to a crofter's wife, who had received it from her son overseas. "He says he is going to send you a striped kimono. What will you do with it?" "Ah suppose Ah'll hae tae pit him in the pigsty," said the old crofter lady, "but goodness knows, whit Ah'll be gaen tae feed him on."

Absent-Minded Business man (after kissing his wife): "Now, dear, I will dictate a couple of letters."

STOWAWAY CASE.

BRITISH FIREMAN CHARGED.

Patrick Murphy (37) fireman, of the Transport Herminius, native of Galway, Ireland, appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of stowing away on a ship.

While admitting the offence, the defendant made a statement in which he said that he was suffering from a certain disease and was coming to Hongkong for treatment. He was accused by the Police of being a deserter. He was a member of the crew of a transport in Shanghai but was coming to the Colony for treatment because he had been in the local hospital before.

The defendant was found in the seamen's quarters the day after the Morea's departure from the North-east port.

His Worship remanded the defendant until to-morrow morning for medical examination.

NORTHERN ITEMS.

THE RECENT NAVAL GESTURE.

HANKOW'S OBSCURE FUTURE.

Shanghai, May 19.

Yesterday there was quite a lively encounter between the Northern cruiser Hanchi and the Woosung forts. Accompanied by two other gunboats the Hanchi steamed into the Yangtze from Tsingtao and let fly at the forts. In the course of more than an hour's firing she scored three direct hits which did a good deal of damage, and got away unscathed.

During the course of the scrap she sent out wireless messages in English calling upon the Nationalist fleet to give battle, but they were not keen to go out.

The news reached here some days ago that she had left Tsingtao, and was expected in this area, and so the local forces could have been ready to receive her. However they preferred not to: in fact while the firing was going on some of them withdrew further into the Whangpoo and only proceeded down stream, ostensibly to give chase, after the northern ships had been gone about three hours.

It is thought highly probable that the local Navy, which so recently hoisted the Nationalist flag, will soon declare itself neutral. In other words all it wants is a quiet life—to be allowed to sit on the Whangpoo mudbanks without interference from anyone. Naval engagements are a bore, and should not be indulged in, seems to be the mind of the Nationalist navy.

Rumours of Local Coup.

Reports are current that the advent of the Northern ships had for object the screening of transports full of troops to be landed near Woosung, and intended to carry out a local coup d'état.

This is highly improbable, and the report seems to have gained currency because of Tsung Ming Island, which lies at the mouth of the Whangpoo, there was a large fleet of junks with troops. There was a fleet of junks, but precious few soldiers. The effort of the Hanchi seems to have been designed to drawing out the Nationalist fleet from the Yangtze, to enable the Northerners to make a crossing higher up the river, a move they have been expected to make for some days. If this was the ruse, it was by no means successful.

The Hankow Council.

Shanghai, May 20.

I have heard from Hankow that since the formation of the mixed Council to administer the ex-British concession there, one of the Chinese members has been taken off by the Hankow Government. In his place, Mr. H. O. Tong has been appointed. He is of course well-known in Chinese circles in Hongkong, and was until recently Chief of Police in the ex-British concession. The British members of the Council are pretty fed up with the business, and I hear they do not present themselves at Council meetings until the "prayers for Sun Yat-sen" have been said by the Chinese chairman.

Hankow is evidently in for some changes in the very near future, and it is possible that it may have befallen before this reaches you. The plight of the Communist regime there is not enviable by any means. Gradually they are being surrounded and must fight their way out or fall. The latest report I have from that centre of disturbance is that General Liu Tsung, who commands the Fifteenth Army stationed on Hanyang Hill, is wavering, and may go over to Chiang Kai-shek. It is not political principles that are making him turn, but the unfavourable circumstances. In other words, he doesn't need a weather vane to see which way the wind is blowing.

Hanyang Hill is a very commanding promontory, and one might be justified in calling it the key military position in Wuhan.

Then, too, I learn that friend Borodin is rather worried. Even he finds disconcerting the rapidity with which Chinese generals change their views and barter their allegiance. A correspondent tells me Borodin considers that "the next few days may be very interesting."

If this is fulfilled, then Borodin won't be there to see what happens, for his aeroplane is ready for use. It lies at the moment alongside a pontoon on the Bund of the ex-German concession—quite close to where Borodin is living. Reports have been circulating here, from a Japanese source, that he has gone to Nanchang, a statement absurd on the face of it. What safety there is for him in the middle of Kiangsi it is difficult to see. Borodin is in Hankow, and

THE SUIT AGAINST THE O. S. K.

COUNSELS' ARGUMENTS CONCLUDE.

JUDGMENT RESERVED.

The acting Chief Justice, Mr. J. R. Wood, characterised one of the pleadings for the defence as "rubbish," in the Supreme Court this morning, when the case in which two Chinese, Lam Kau-mow and Chan Tong, are suing the Osaka Shosen Kaisha in respect of a lease of premises, was continued.

The plaintiffs allege that the lease was for a term of six years, with option of an additional four, and that the defendants exercised the option. The defence say on the other hand that the lease was signed by a Mr. Yamasaki, ex-manager of the O.S.K. for himself, and not for the firm, and therefore Mr. Yamasaki is the lessee.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., with Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. F. E. Nash, is for the plaintiffs, and the defence is being conducted by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Mr. G. S. Hughes-Jones.

In addressing the court this morning, Mr. Sheldon said he wished to put in a document, being a bill sent by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist to Mr. Yamasaki. He explained it was a declaration of trust by Mr. Yamasaki in which he assigned the benefit of the lease to the Company. He declared it would show that the lease had been vested in Mr. Yamasaki, and under the declaration of trust the O.S.K. became beneficiaries.

Objection Upheld.

Mr. Potter objected on the ground that they had not seen the document, which was not the original, and any statement between the solicitors and Mr. Yamasaki could not be put forward.

His Lordship upheld Mr. Potter's objection. Referring to the lease, Mr. Sheldon said the signature was by Mr. Yamasaki, with the rubber stamp of the O.S.K., and there was nothing in the body of the deed to show that Mr. Yamasaki signed it under a power of attorney for the Company. He concluded that Mr. Yamasaki was the lessee and not the Company.

Dealing with paragraph 7 in the pleadings for the defence, which he characterised as rubbish, his Lordship said he could have understood it if Mr. Yamasaki had been trustee, and his rights ran out in the absence of the option, and when they had ceased then the defendants for the first time became tenants on new terms, which meant to say occupation on payment of rent.

But to say that they had a monthly tenancy from the beginning was impossible, because it was impossible that the plaintiffs should have had two tenants on the premises at the same time, being two inconsistent liabilities. He added he did not think Mr. Sheldon could give him a reference in law which supported that view.

Mr. Sheldon said he did not think it was rubbish, and added that he could not give such a reference. He said he was sorry he could not explain it any better, but what he had urged was according to his instructions.

Judgment Reserved.

The case concluded when the Court rose for the tiffin adjournment, judgment being reserved.

the only way he will leave, if he does, seems to be by aeroplane.

However, the troubles of poor Hankow will not be finished when the present "Government" falls, as fall it must. Troops loyal (loyalty is always temporary in China) to Chiang Kai-shek approach the city from the South, and the Fengtien forces approach from the North. In the west is Yang Sen, who might do anything, that is ally with Fengtien or with Chiang. So who will be the next holders of the city has yet to be decided, and none but a fool would prophesy.

Aeroplane "Stunting."

A seaplane from H.M.S. Argus had a narrow escape this morning. For the first time since the arrival of British aeroplanes in Shanghai, the Chinese were treated to some stunting. One of the small fighting planes, of "Flycatcher" type, was responsible, and gave the populace quite a thrill by looping the loop. Apparently one loop was misjudged. Having somersaulted, the plane descended at a terrific speed, and it seemed impossible that it could "flatten out" in time.

Fortunately, the machine was over the river. It came down very near H.M.S. Durban at the top of Avenue Edward VII, and almost touched the water. Just in time it flattened out, and slowly gained altitude again. That was the last stunt for the morning.—A Special Correspondent.

SALT GABELLE.

HOW IT IS BEING PLUNDERED.

NO REVENUE ACCRUING.

A more grievous financial state of affairs than that now existing in the Chinese Government Salt Administration is difficult, if not impossible, to conceive.

To realize the vast sums of money now being illegally appropriated by militarists and politicians, it is necessary to go back some years and trace the Administration's progress since the date of the Reorganization Loan Agreement.

The Reorganization Loan Agreement was signed and came into effect in May 1913, and the subsequent administration was under the advisement of Sir Richard Dane. In that year over \$11,000,000 was paid into the Salt revenue accounts in the Group banks who had advanced the Chinese Government \$25,000,000 on the security of the Salt revenue and Maritime customs.

Ten years later, in 1923, the net revenue paid into the Group banks during that year amounted to nearly \$80,000,000, a decrease of over \$6,000,000, as compared with the previous year's net revenue. This decreased revenue was due to the usurpation of the Canton Salt Administration by the late Sun Yat-sen.

Between 1914 and 1921, the Salt Administration, under foreign advisement, met all obligations secured on the Salt revenue and released surplus funds to the Chinese Government amounting to nearly \$360,000,000, including some \$35,000,000 appropriated by Provincial authorities and militarists. It is noteworthy that administrative expenses amounted to less than ten per cent. of the revenue during this period.

From then on, serious decreases in revenue occurred due to civil wars and illegal appropriation of funds by military authorities and tuchuns. Notwithstanding this arbitrary interference, the Group banks were able to maintain a reserve of \$7,000,000.

State of Bankruptcy.

To-day, on account of the unprincipled militarists, the Salt Administration is in a state of bankruptcy. There is not even money to pay salaries, and hundreds of officials have been dismissed. The Salt Administration can almost be said to be non-existent.

The revenue in all districts, with perhaps one or two exceptions, is being daily appropriated by various military factions, and the Administration's control of the collections has been usurped by militarists and politicians in direct violation of the Reorganization Loan Agreement. Thus, a great revenue-producing government department has been forced into bankruptcy and years of careful organization have become abortive.

Owing to the intolerable situation existing in the great salt revenue producing districts of Liangshih, Kiangsi, Anhui, and Hankow, there is no revenue accruing to the Administration and with the exception of the district inspectors, assistant inspectors and a few secretaries, the entire staff has been dismissed.

Function Usurped.

In the Shanghai district, the Reorganization Agreement has been violated in its entirety and all functions of the District Inspectorate have been usurped by a "Salt Commissioner" appointed by the Nationalist military authorities. All revenue is collected by this usurper at his office in the International settlement, and is presumably used to further the anti-foreign aims of the "Nationalist" party.

Protests have been lodged with the powers concerned but so far nothing has been done. In fact, it is difficult to conceive what moderate steps can be taken to ensure the salt revenue reaching its proper channel.—N. C. Daily News.

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THE CONSEQUENCES OF COMMUNISM.

SOME INTERESTING DETAILS FROM HUNAN.

SUFFERINGS OF POOR.

The following is a translation of the Diplomatic policy of the Provincial Party of Hunan as announced in the "Hunan Min Po" May 1:

"Since the Imperialists have sent large fleets to China, the diplomatic situation has changed. For the sake of the success of the Revolution, at its 54th general meeting, the Executive Committee of the Provincial Party decided as follows:

(1)—Regarding the petroleum supply. The petroleum left should not be confiscated at present. It should be sold by foreign businesses to the government later on. The government then will retail it.

(2)—The problem of the Church. If a foreigner has not left the place where his church is located and does not permit others to live in it, no Chinese shall be permitted to occupy it. If the foreigner has left that Church and if the people wish to borrow the use of it, they must report to the Government.

(3)—Regarding unemployment of foreigners' workmen. It is not known whether all can go back to their work; they are advised to return to their work as it becomes possible. The loss of the workmen during the strike will be borne by the foreigners.

(4)—Regarding the Customs House. This matter must be referred to the Central Government.

Recent letters confirm previous accounts of happenings in Hunan. At Hsianghsiang deeds of property have been destroyed, preparatory to a re-division of the property. In Changsha the long gown, considered to be the sign of a gentleman, is taboo and must not be worn on the street. It was at one time decided that it was contrary to the principle of equality for one man to carry or pull another. Therefore rickshaws and sedan chair bearers found themselves out of work. The workers protested, however, and forced a reconsideration. They would be permitted to work as before. However those who rode in rickshaws were forced to contribute to the support of some organization and became afraid to ride. The ricksha men are now without very much work. Prices are low, but as there is no work and no money the condition of the people is very bad.

SINGAPORE BASE.

STRIKING SPEECH BY MAJ. GEN. FRASER.

Ipoh, May 20.

The General Officer Commanding, Major-General Sir Theodore Fraser at a farwell inspection of the Ipoh Volunteers, yesterday complimented them on their turn-out and afterwards made a striking speech in which he laid stress on the point that the creation of the Naval Base radically changes the character of the whole of Malaya as an Imperial outpost.

"The Base, he said, marks the beginning of a new era in the whole of Malaya, not merely one end of it. Not merely the harbours, but the coast and the interior might become the area of major operations in war.

He added that it was important for all to visualise this. He had specially selected Ipoh to say it because Ipoh was supposed to be far removed from war's alarms, but he hoped other places would heed his words.

The General later left for Taiping.

STOLEN JEWELS.

PECULIAR CASE FROM MADRAS.

Madras, May 20.

The story of the theft of stolen ornaments from the custody of a sub-inspector of police is reported.

It appears that recently a rich Marwari widow was robbed of cash and ornaments to the value of Rs. 7,000. A sub-inspector of police who inquired into the matter arrested five persons, all Marwaris, and on their confession recovered ornaments to the value of Rs. 5,000 from a Marwari shop.

It is reported that on the day of their recovery the sub-inspector, instead of taking the stolen ornaments to the Thana, took them to a resthouse, where he spent the night.

The next morning he reported that the ornaments had been stolen again.

CONDITIONS QUIET IN KWEICHOW.

BANK OF CHINA NOTES DOOMED.

BUSINESS BY CREDIT.

Kueiyang, Kwei, Apr. 21.

The various government offices are being renamed in order to conform to the nomenclature of the Nationalist Government. For example: the Police Bureau is now called the Public Place Bureau, the Law Courts are called by the same name as the former name, and so on. So far as I can see, the same responsibilities and the same duties fall to the heads of each department, says a correspondent of the N. C. Daily News.

The Governor has been ill, with typhus it is said, but is now considerably better. So much seems to depend on him—he is very energetic and anxious for reform—that it might be a real disaster if we lost him.

A considerable number of the late Gen. Yuan Tsu-ming troops have now returned here and are being reorganized under our Governor Gen. Chow. The story published in Shanghai Chinese papers that Gen. Yuan was killed by his own men is most probably untrue, for although he was not so prompt in paying his men as Gen. Chow is, he allowed them greater latitude in getting payment from the people where they were stationed.

The People Friendly.

Your correspondent has just returned from a month's trip south, visiting Tatung and Tushan hsien and passing through other hsien districts as well. He found everything quiet and the people friendly as usual. Opium is very widely cultivated but there was also a considerable amount of wheat, vegetable oil plant, beans, etc., to be seen.

Bank of China dollar notes seem doomed. They now realize less than 20 silver per \$1 note. Silver is almost unobtainable and what business there is, is largely carried on by credit. Probably owing in large measure to troubles in other provinces, only little merchandise is coming here; consequently very little money is going out.

In view of these difficulties, and of the unrest elsewhere, it is a matter for thankfulness that Kueichow continues peaceful. But after all, this is as has almost always obtained in this province. In Boxer Year, Revolution year, and in other years when serious trouble and anti-foreign agitation raged, say on Yangtze river and in different provinces, foreign missionaries were able to carry on much as usual in Kueichow. It is the same to-day and we see nothing to lead us to think there will be a change for the worse.

TO-MORROW'S PICTURES.

AN INTERESTING RECORD.

Among the local pictures to be published in the Telegraph tomorrow are a number taken on Sunday last on the occasion of the pilgrimage to Sanchiao Island, when the Bishop of Kongmoon was consecrated in the presence of four other Bishops. The views to be reproduced give a good impression of the island and its churches (sacred to the memory of St. Francis Xavier) and also show those taking part in the celebrations.

Pictures of the serious landslide and fall of a big retaining wall which took place on Monday between the Conduit and Robinson Roads will also be reproduced.

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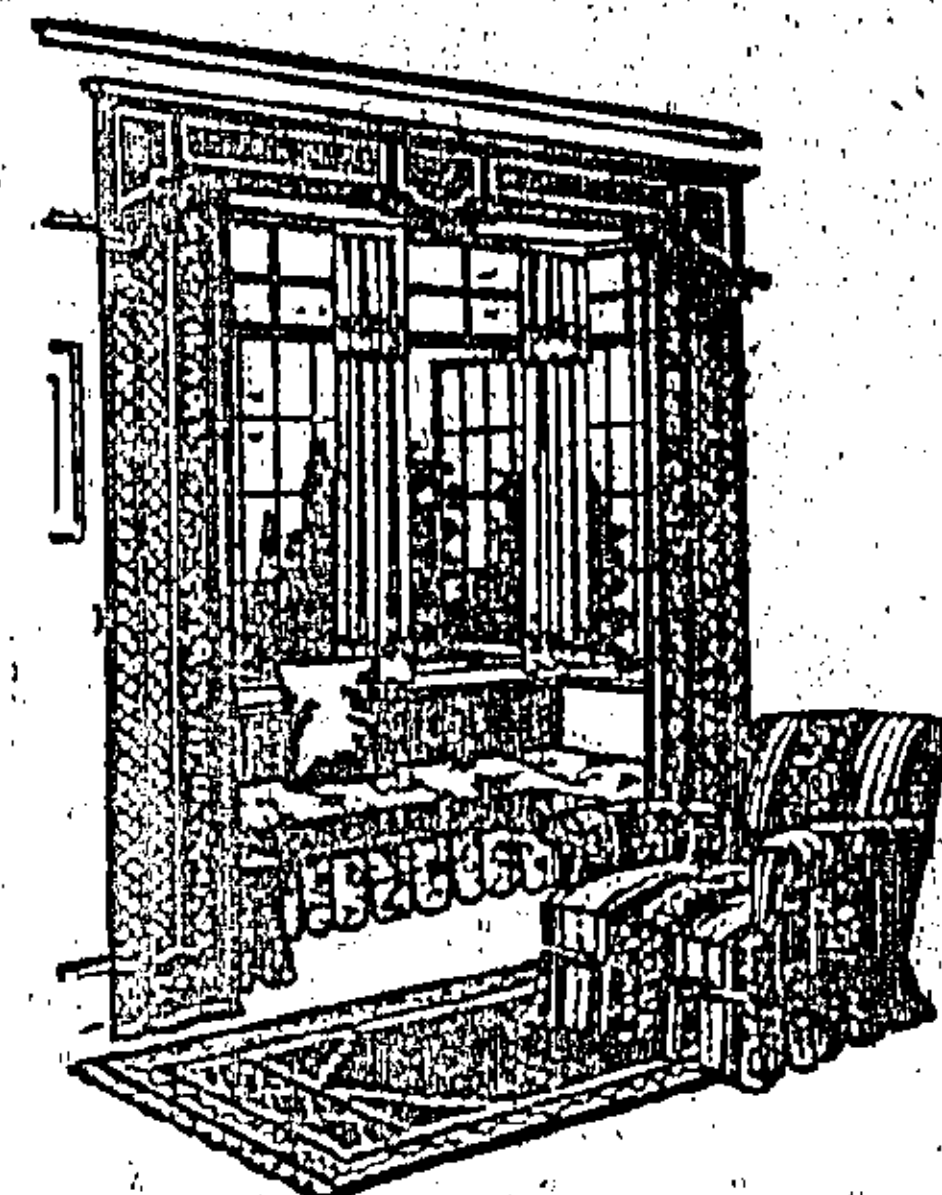
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- 1.—What was the population of Greater London at the last Census?
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- 3.—Which is the largest lake in the world?
- 4.—What was the origin of the Union Jack?
- 5.—What did Alexander Humboldt do?
- 6.—Who was Sir Harry Parkes?
- 7.—What is meant by the Bank rate?
- 8.—What are copra and beche-de-mer?
- 9.—Where is the original Temple Bar now?
- 10.—Which of London's statues was once hidden and afterwards recovered?
- 11.—What is Shintolam?
- 12.—What duchess was compelled to do public penance for witchcraft?
- 13.—Who "cut the Gordian knot?"
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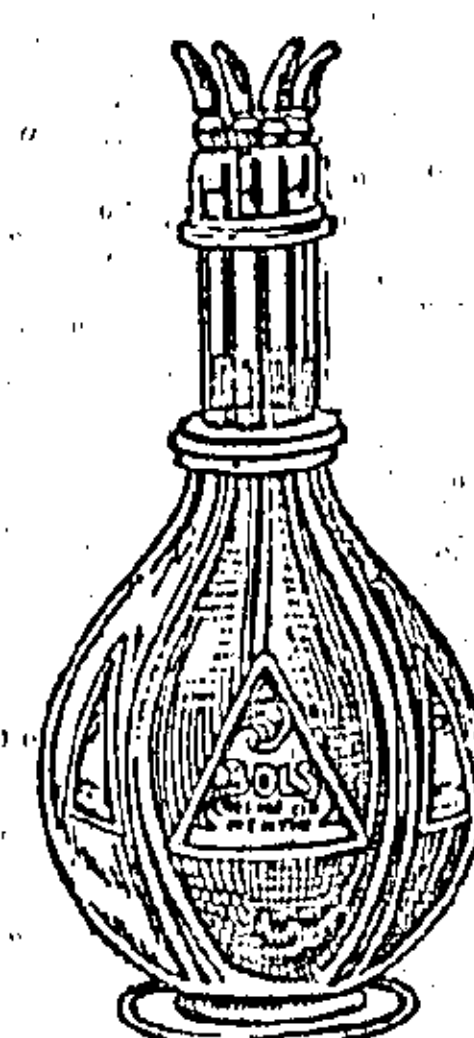
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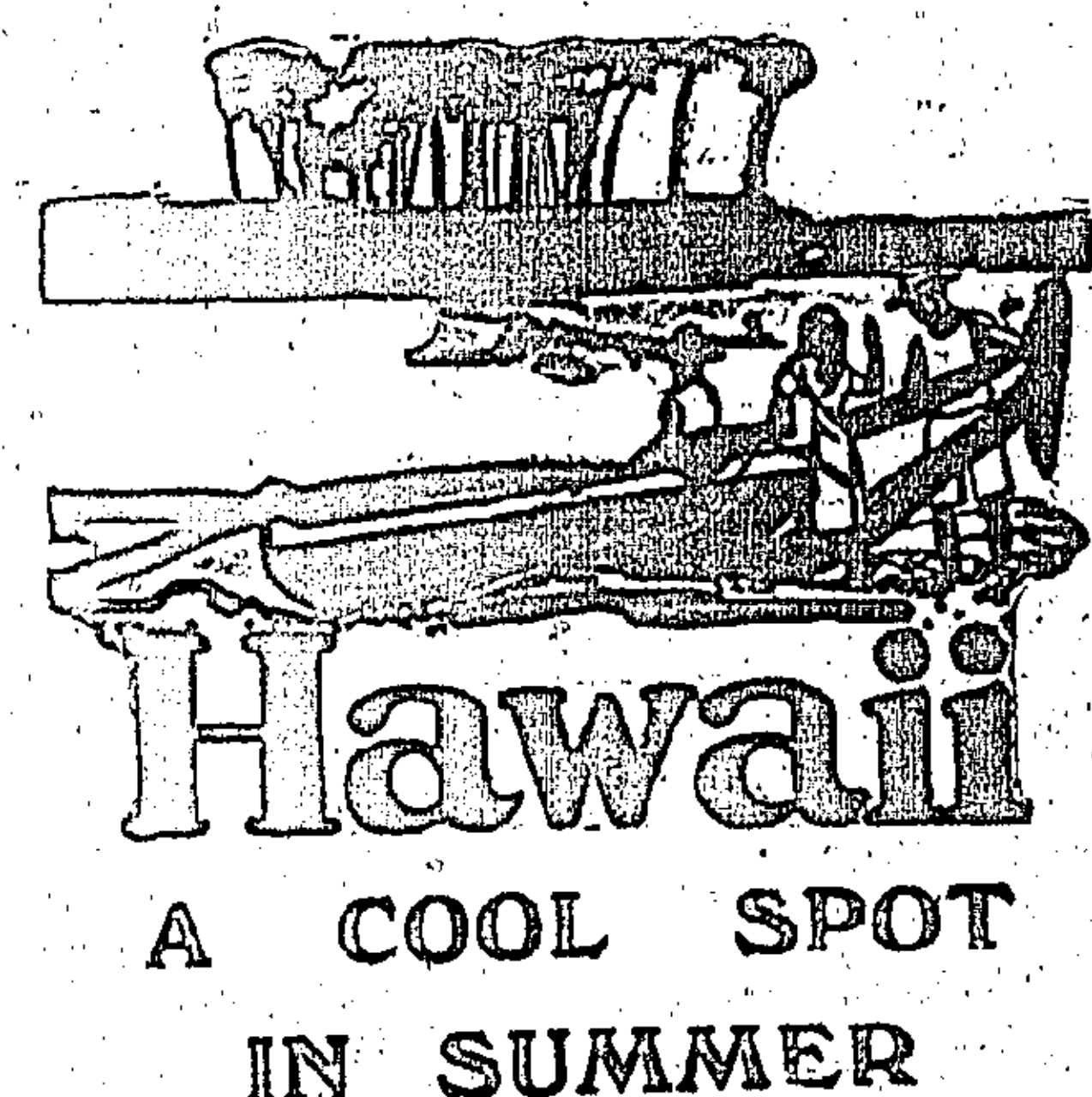
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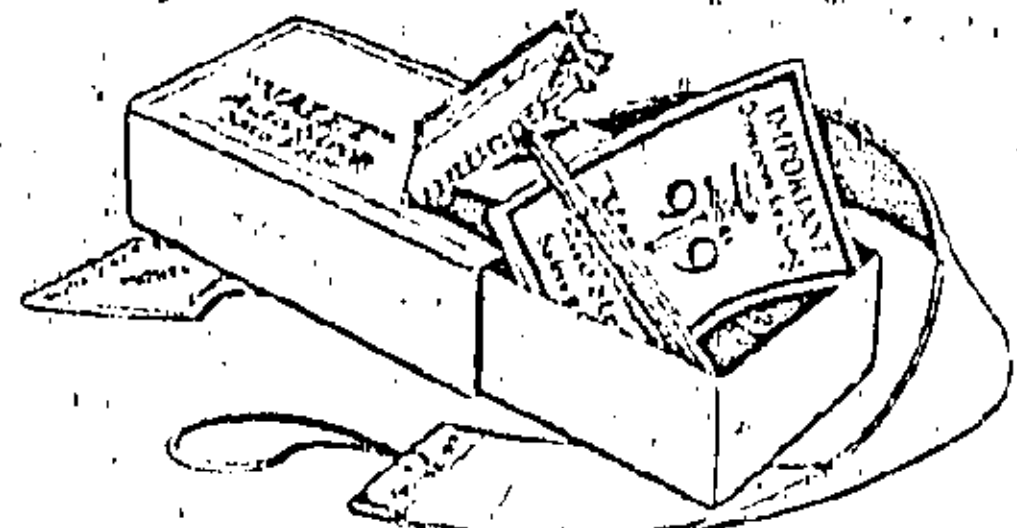
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RUSSIAN BREAK ACCEPTED.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Britain's Justification.

London, May 26. Discussion on the decision of the Government to break off diplomatic relations with the Soviet Government was opened by Mr. Clynes, who moved the following resolution, "That having heard the statement of the Prime Minister, this House is of opinion that the termination of the Trade Agreement with Russia, and the severance of diplomatic relations, would have serious international consequences, and close a promising avenue to the restoration of trade and industry, and is therefore a policy to which the country ought not to be committed until the report of a select committee, based upon an examination of all relevant documents and a full inquiry into the facts, has been submitted to this House."

Sir Austen Chamberlain, replying, began with a reference to the reported decision of the Canadian Government to terminate their trade agreement with Russia. In regard to the effects of the British Government's action upon trade, Sir Austen said the foreign trade of Russia was not an expression either of ordinary commercial activities or economic forces. It was partly a result of necessity. It was largely an instrument of policy. Trade was not dependent upon the Trade Agreement or diplomatic representation. The United States had done about as much trade with Soviet Russia as we had. Never had they been willing to afford diplomatic recognition to the Soviet Government or admitted a trade delegation.

Expression of Confidence.

The Government was not prepared to accept a select committee, but to ask the House for a clear expression of confidence and approval. There was of course a great mass of information in the possession of the Government, derived from many sources, extending over a long period, out of which they had produced only one or two documents in a paper which they had laid before the House. They were content to act upon the information which they had disclosed. They thought it unnecessary to produce any more of this information now and since it was unnecessary they thought it undesirable to do it. But he would give the House some indication of the kind of material that there was.

Referring to the demonstration in front of the British Embassy at Washington, Sir Austen Chamberlain said this might be not unconnected with a message that the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs at Moscow had sent to his agents abroad, on April 9, in which he stated it was absolutely imperative to organise, in the shortest space of time, meetings against England, and to demonstrate where possible in front of British Embassies and Legations.

Soviet Machinations.

"Information in our possession shows that continuously, without ceasing, in every quarter of the world where a ferment of trouble exists, the Soviet Government sought to take advantage of these elements, to increase unrest and to create trouble, and above all in those places where British interests would be affected. It shows that these activities were carried on not merely abroad, not merely in Asia, but in this country. It shows that the Zinovieff letter was not the only or last document. It shows us the painful part which, throughout the trouble in China, Soviet diplomacy and their agents played in that country.

The Bolshevik activities in China date back at least as far as 1923. In January of that year we know the Executive Committee of the Third International sent instructions to the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party to exercise their force for the purpose of striking a heavy and well-aimed blow against the imperialism of foreign Powers. We know they complained that the Communist Party in China was devoting insufficient attention to sabotage in foreign enterprise, factories and works, and that such a position could hardly be considered normal.

Enter Kharakhan.

In 1924, the Soviet Government established diplomatic relations in China, and Kharakhan was appointed Soviet Ambassador at Peking. His instructions authorised him to assist in the organisation of

methodical agitation and a public demonstration of the people against foreign intervention. On November 7, at an official banquet, the Soviet Ambassador exhorted the Chinese Government to tear up the treaties between China and the foreign Powers.

If we come to Shanghai, we know Russian money was not alien to the disturbances there. The riot at Shanghai, which originated in the Japanese mills, took place on May 13, 1925, and on the eleventh of that month Kharakhan had sent orders to the local committee in Shanghai which were intercepted. The local committee were required, on receipt of these instructions, to enter immediately into close contact with the workmen and their organisations with a view to strikes in Japanese factories, and in order to play an active part among the workmen so that they should not return to work until they received from the manufacturers the satisfaction they demanded.

Events at Canton.

This intervention and these incitements were not confined to Shanghai. Encouraged by the results of their work there, they took up work in Canton. On June 6, 1925, the Communist International notified the Kuomintang of large sums of money which they were sending to conduct a militant campaign against Anglo-Japanese imperialism, and it was pointed out that it was desirable that national indignation against missionary schools should be utilised to dismiss the missionaries, as being the real servants of imperialism. The result of inquiries in the English and French Concessions, into the procession of demonstrations in Canton, showed it included cadres from the Russian military academy, and that the incitement and order to fire were almost certainly given by Russians.

A Hongkong Arrest.

The action of the Soviet Government in these intrigues was well known to everyone in China, and was definitely proved at the time of the arrest at Hongkong, in June 1925, of a certain Soviet citizen officially described in his passport as being at the disposal of the Soviet Embassy. He was carrying a certificate issued by the Soviet Agitation Department in Shanghai, ordering him to proceed to Canton for the purpose of organising strikes.

When he came up for trial, a physician of the Soviet Consul-General in Shanghai attempted to bribe the Russian constables of the Municipal Police to declare that he had a forged certificate. The physician was arrested in the act of trying to hand over ten thousand dollars. He was remanded on bail, but absconded. I do not propose to carry the story further," said Sir Austen Chamberlain. "This is the class of information which has been in the possession of the Government, much of it for a long time, and some of it only a short time."

Shown up.

It shows that the conditions on which alone the Trade Agreement were signed, upon which every succeeding Government without exception has insisted, and continuously systematically, and continuously broken by the other party to the Agreement. It shows that the privileges accorded to the trade delegation were abused, that the Soviet House in London was the seat not only of almost all the trade activities, not chiefly of trade activities, but also of political propaganda and anti-British action. It shows the Soviet Mission at Chesham House was engaged in similar activities, in breach of the comity of nations, and in abuse of the diplomatic privileges accorded them, and it shows both these organisations were acting under instructions and in the spirit of the Government which was pursuing the same hostile policy to the Government with which it professed to be in friendly relations in every part of the world."

Sir Austen recalled the notes addressed to the Soviet Government regarding its anti-British activities by Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, when they held office, and told of his own repeated warnings to the Soviet charge d'affaires of breaches of the Trade Agreement which had not been broken off before. If the Government had thought only of British interests and of their own protection, they would have done so. He had previously pleaded, with earnestness and with passion, to the House not to force their decision upon the Government to give the Soviet Government yet another chance to mend their ways. If, in pleading so, he had used exaggerated language, at least it showed how honest was his endeavour and how long and patiently he pursued it.

A Policy of Peace.

His Majesty's Government had, during the two and half years for which they had been responsible, pursued their policy of peace in



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every part of world. They had co-operated with all who would co-operate with them, and had loyally supported the League of Nations, and they had helped to add to its authority and strength. Only one Government had refused to co-operate.

"Still we strove, still we continued relations which had become hollow. At last we felt it necessary not to confine ourselves to the spoken warning which had been uttered again and again, but once more to repeat in solemn form our words of protest and warning. The Soviet Government had paid no attention to these words of warning. They have shown they are incorrigible. We practised forbearance until forbearance was outworn. We have pushed our patience to a point at which further persistence in it would be weakness. We have even now not sought to engage the action of any other Power or to embarrass them with what are our problems and our difficulties; but His Majesty's Government can no longer assume the responsibility of maintaining diplomatic relations which, so conducted and so abused, are not instruments of peace, but furthered a continual source of irritation and danger. I ask from the House a clear and unmistakable expression of their approval."—British Wireless.

American Connexion.

Chicago, May 26. The Communists mentioned in a notebook found at Soviet House in London in the recent raid are well known here, and include Lydia Gibson, the artist wife of the American cartoonist, Robert Minor, son of a former Texas judge. The couple are now in Russia, where the husband represents the workers' party of America. —Reuters American Service.

New York.—Three ordinarily well-disciplined elephants became panic-stricken by the sight of a mouse which crossed their path while they were being led to a theatrical performance at Newark, New Jersey. The elephants ran wild and one of them knocked down a woman, crushing her skull and killing her instantly. Police reserves were called out to deal with the terrorised disorder which developed in the town. Ten minutes after the disappearance of the mouse a keeper regained control of the elephants.

NEVER TOO LATE TO LEARN.

TEACHERS' BACKING FOR ADULT EDUCATION.

The subject of adult education occupied the annual Conference of the National Union of Teachers at Margate last month. Alderman Conway, on behalf of the Executive, moved a resolution that the Conference offer cordial support to all national schemes of adult education, and assured Education Authorities of the co-operation of the teaching profession in the provision of further facilities.

He said education began in the cradle and ended near the grave. We were witnessing a revival of learning in this country in regard to arts and crafts, and also in regard to the consideration of modern problems.

Miss E. R. Conway, of Liverpool, said that the fact that at elections nearly 50 per cent. of the electorate did not trouble to go to the poll was a bad reflection on the educational system of this country. She thought adult education would have a great effect on the problem because it would inform people regarding political problems.

Those who took part in elections were astounded at the apathy of the people who said it was no use voting because it made no difference.

Sir Ernest Gray, a former president, said the resolution was an answer to those who thought that education terminated at the age of 14 or even 16.

The resolution was carried by a big majority.

Classifying Education. Mr. C. W. Cowen, of Sheffield, moved a resolution for the Executive that the practice of classifying children according to age alone was educationally unsound, and scholars should be classed by head teachers in consultation with members of the staff, having regard to their personal knowledge of the capacity of the scholars.

He said the attempt to bring all children of the age of 11 up to a given point had a deadening effect. No two children were born with the same capacity, and no two children could advance at the same rate.

He wondered what the effect would have been if the Chancellor of the Exchequer had been classified from the age of five onwards. If he had been, there might not have been a halfpenny on tobacco. (Laughter.)

The experience of Government inspectors was that in schools in a slum area and in the suburbs of the same town, there was a difference of a standard between the children of the respective schools.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

The Conference reaffirmed its opinion that the staffing of elementary schools by fully qualified teachers was in the best interests of education and the children, and considered that the time had arrived when the Board of Education should announce an early date, after which no further uncertificated or supplementary teachers should be appointed.

Mrs. A. Moore proposed a resolution, which was carried, that an investigation should be made into the effects of unsatisfactory housing, on the mental and physical condition of children.

Politics in Education.

Mr. W. B. Steer, of Derby, on behalf of the Executive, moved a resolution that in the interests of education, and the national welfare, it was essential that the constitution of the Board of Education should be so strengthened as to include representatives of Parliament, of local Education Authorities, and of other bodies engaged in the administration of education, with all its grades and representatives of the teaching profession. Its right and duty should be to advise the President of the Board in all matters of educational policy.

Mr. Steer declared that continuity of development could only be obtained if there was at the back of the Board of Education and of the Minister of Education a body of people who were pursuing the same aim.

Mr. C. Barron, of South Shields, said the resolution was the logical outcome of the constitution of the country. The Union would not be on the Board but teachers representing the whole profession would be. They did not want politics in education.

Mr. Stanley Conway, Liverpool, asked what new truth had been revealed during the past year that they should accept the motion which introduced a new principle into British politics.

Miss Conway, also of Liverpool, urged that they should not be thrown into the political arena. The discussion was adjourned.

BRITONS NOT "OGRES."

SENATOR BORAH'S REPLY TO LORD DERBY.

That China is going to be the acid test of the nations' desire for peace, is a warning uttered by Senator Borah in a message to the Manchester Evening News.

The message is a reply to the speech made by Lord Derby at the Manchester Chamber of Commerce Luncheon, at which the American Ambassador was a guest.

Lord Derby, in his speech, then said that there was one prominent politician in America who always seemed to think that we are ogres.

Lord Derby added that if Senator Borah would do him the honour of being his guest, he would conduct him through industrial Lancashire, where he would see what peace meant to industry.

Industrial Peace.

Replying from America to the Manchester Evening News, Senator Borah states:

Replying to your telegram, I do not need to be shown that the English people are not ogres.

I have never said anything of that kind—quite the opposite. I should like to know on what Lord Derby bases his desire to enlighten me upon this particular subject. I appreciate his missionary spirit, but really I do not feel in need of his gospel of enlightenment.

I have no doubt there are millions in England just as anxious for industrial peace and world peace as Lord Derby indicates.

I have no doubt their enlightened conceptions of industrial justice and international justice are quite as exalted as Lord Derby indicates. I trust they will, together with Lord Derby, exert their influence along those lines on their Government in the Chinese affair.

The Test.

China is going to be the acid test of whether the nations which have been preaching peace want peace; whether those which have been preaching international justice want international justice; and whether the industrial peace which we covet for our own people is to be extended to other peoples.

I would really like to visit England and hope I may find the opportunity to do so. My mission, however, will not be that of hunting wild game, such as ogres, but to see and to know better the people whose highest encomium is that of always having been loyal to their own flag, an attribute which prevails rather strongly in the United States, and I think, worth preserving. (Signed) William B. Borah.

MR. MACDONALD'S ILLNESS.

TAKEN TO HOSPITAL AT PHILADELPHIA.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is under the treatment of specialists at Jefferson Hospital, Philadelphia, where he was taken on Saturday afternoon from the home of friends (says the Daily Chronicle special correspondent at New York in mail week).

He had broken his journey to visit them while on his way from Washington to New York.

Dr. J. Solis Cohen, the noted physician, on whose advice the Premier was removed to hospital, said on Saturday night after consulting with the hospital staff that Mr. MacDonald is suffering from a sore throat, but he declined to give further details of the illness.

The doctor's words were: "Mr. MacDonald is suffering from a sore throat. He is resting comfortably in hospital. He went there on my advice. His throat is too sore at present for him to keep any speaking engagements."

Mr. MacDonald was not well when he was received by President Coolidge. He appeared to have a bad cold.

In a Wheel Chair.

He and his daughter Ishbel were met on Friday at Philadelphia Station by Mr. S. Burns Weston, head of the local Ethical Culture Society. During lunch at Mr. Weston's home it became evident to the host that Mr. MacDonald was ill.

With the assent of Miss Ishbel Mr. Weston called Dr. Solis Cohen, who advised Mr. and Miss MacDonald not to continue their journey to New York, although it is only a two hours' journey by train.

They stayed at the Weston home for the night, but when on Saturday morning the patient's condition appeared to be worse, Mr. Weston again called the doctor, who insisted that Mr. MacDonald should go to hospital immediately.

His condition was such on arrival, however, that he had to be taken up in a wheel chair on the lift to a private room.

Miss Ishbel was naturally greatly worried. She refused to

LEASE DISPUTE.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON'S HEARING.

Hearing in the action concerning the lease of property brought against the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, by Lam Kau-mow and Chan Tong, was continued before Chief Justice Mr. J. R. Wood at the Supreme Court yesterday afternoon when Mr. H. G. Sheldon who is appearing for the Shipping Company on the instructions of Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones, put the manager of the O.S.K. into the witness box.

The prosecution is being conducted by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., together with Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. F. E. Nash.

Monthly Tenancy.

In the afternoon Mr. Sheldon addressed the court when he argued that the tenancy, whoever the lessee was, was of a monthly nature, and that was borne out by the fact that in a letter dated August 22nd, 1925 to the defendants, the plaintiffs gave them a month's notice. In the lease the nature of the tenancy was not expressed. All that was stated in that respect was that the rent was to be paid monthly, and that again bore out the fact that it was a monthly tenancy.

Dealing with the question of the lessees, he said Mr. Yamasaki, the then manager of the O.S.K., was referred to in the lease as the lessee, and he executed it. Mr. Sheldon asked on what grounds could it be said that the Company were the lessees? The Company, he contended, were not parties to the deed. They did not execute it, and therefore they could not be the lessees by any means. The only possible way the Company could have executed the deed would be their corporate seal on the document, or by their authorised attorney. The highest the Company could go under the lease, he submitted, was that they were beneficiaries and Mr. Yamasaki was the trustee.

The present manager of the O.S.K. in giving evidence said, in reply to Mr. Jenkin, that he received a letter notifying him of a proposed increase of rent of \$112 per month, and admitted he signed a letter in reply, in which he stated that he could not accept the increase as he understood the lease was still effective, and there was still some time for it to go.

Signed for Company.

In reply to His Lordship, witness said Mr. Yamasaki was a former manager and retired about a month ago. He was last in Hongkong seven or eight years ago. He added that he knew Mr. Yamasaki's signature.

His Lordship produced the lease, and after pointing out Mr. Yamasaki's signature asked:—Did Mr. Yamasaki sign that lease for himself or for the Company?

After a good deal of hesitation, and on the question being repeated several times, witness said he signed it on behalf of the Company.

His Lordship:—Why are you trying to get away from this lease? It was signed for your Company. Why don't you want to carry it out?

Witness explained that they did not want to stay in the premises because certain repairs had not been carried out, and because the plaintiffs told them they are only monthly tenants.

His Lordship:—Well, you said you thought the lease was still effective. Why did you not stay on?—Ah, we were looking for another place. He explained they felt entitled to leave because repairs were not carried out.

Mr. Jenkin explained that in the correspondence the whole matter of repairs had been left to Messrs. Leigh and Orange, and an arrangement came to with regard to payment, but the whole matter was dropped.

In reply to His Lordship, Mr. Jenkin admitted that the repairs had not been carried out.

The case was adjourned and was continued to-day, a report of to-day's proceedings appearing elsewhere.

accept an invitation to spend the week-end in the suburbs, but went to stay at an hotel near the hospital.

"Tired Out."

According to another message, Dr. Cohen said Mr. MacDonald's condition is not serious. He is simply tired out and affected with a cold and is taking a rest.

It is reported (says a message from Philadelphia yesterday) that Mr. MacDonald's condition is the same, and that he is resting comfortably.

Mr. S. Burns Weston, his host during his Philadelphia visit, said Mr. MacDonald departed for New York yesterday morning. Mr. Weston added that Mr. MacDonald had intended sailing on Wednesday, and it was not yet decided whether his passage should be cancelled.

TRANS-PACIFIC FLIGHT.

ANOTHER PRIZE OFFERED \$30,000.

Los Angeles, May 26. The Hollywood theatre owner, Mr. Sidney Grauman, has offered a prize of \$30,000 for a non-stop flight from Los Angeles to Tokyo. —*Router's American Service.*

FIFTEEN BILLION.

FRENCH CONSOLIDATION LOAN TOTAL.

Paris, May 26. M. Poincare stated to the Chamber's Financial Committee that the recent Consolidation Loan had so far produced fifteen billion francs. —*Havas.*

SPAIN AND U. S.

COMMERCIAL TREATY EXTENDED SIX MONTHS.

Madrid, May 26. The king has signed the decree extending for another six months the commercial agreement between Spain and the United States. —*Router.*

WEST RIVER FLOOD.

WUCHOW SUFFERS DECLINE IN TRADE.

A Chinese merchant who came recently from Wuchow stated that business in Wuchow had suffered a notable decline owing to the recent floods in that city. A few days ago the water had risen as high as six feet, and most of the shops had to close their doors. When he left the city the flood had dropped less than 2 feet. However, all the shops in that city were visited by the flood and generally speaking, business was greatly hindered.

TERRIBLE STORM.

FIFTY BASEBALL SPECTATORS INJURED.

Norfolk, Virginia, May 25. A seventy mile an hour wind wrecked the grand stand at the Portsmouth baseball ground while the game was progressing. One was killed and over fifty injured. The storm blew off the roof of a railway warehouse, killing four. —*Router's American Service.*

G.B.S. ON HIS BANNED PORTRAIT.

"DISCRIMINATION AGAINST THE SITTER."

Mr. George Bernard Shaw gave the following statement to the Central News in mail week.

The news is as surprising to me as it is to everyone else. All I can say is that there is nothing wrong with the portrait, nothing wrong with Mr. John Collier, and nothing wrong with me.

The Royal Academy is the only other party concerned, and it is for it to explain if there is anything to be explained. As Mr. Collier's portrait of Mr. Aldous Huxley will be accepted, there can be no question of any discrimination against the painter.

The discrimination must be against the sitter, but if the Royal Academy thinks that the public is heartily tired of portraits of me and eagerly curious to see what Mr. Huxley is like, then I agree with the Royal Academy, and delighted to yield my place on the line to my young and much less shop-soiled literary colleague.

OIL PRODUCTION.

SEMINOLE PRODUCERS TO CURTAIL SUPPLY.

New York, May 26. In an effort to meet the over-production crisis in the petroleum industry representatives of twenty producers operating the Seminole oilfield have unanimously decided to continue the limitation of output till at least ten operators withdrew from the agreement. They also agreed to extend the policy regarding the Seminole oilfield to the whole State of Oklahoma. —*Router's American Service.*

SEIZURE OF GRAIN.

SOVIET TRADE DELEGATION DEFAULTS.

Riga, May 26. The authorities have seized a quantity of Soviet grain in an elevator, the Soviet trade delegation not having complied with a Court order to deposit \$28,000 pending the delegation's appeal against a decision of the District Court ordering them to pay a sum claimed by a Latvian organization. —*Router.*

DESTRUCTIVE TYPHOON.

TWO SEAPLANES WRECKED IN MANILA BAY.

Manila, May 26. Fifteen provinces in North Luzon have been cut off from Manila by a typhoon.

Two seaplanes were wrecked in Manila Bay while a steamer rammed one of the piers. —*Router.*

Brussels.—Looking for her husband, with whom she had a tiff, Mme. Legros, of Liege, met him in the street. Dramatically he hissed, "I am revenged," and disappeared. The woman hurried home, but could get no reply when she called to her two little girls—Elsa, aged 4, and Monica, aged 2. A locked bedroom door was forced open, and on the bed were the two children dead, with a crucifix between them. On a table a candle was burning and beside it stood flowers in a vase. The father had given each girl a glass of milk with which he had mixed arsenic. The murderer was found next morning in a garage, dead. He, too, had poisoned himself with arsenic.

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JULY CRICKET GEM.

OXFORD-CAMBRIDGE
CENTENARY.

WONDERFUL EVENT.

The centenary of the University match is a great event in cricket history, and it is certain that July 4 will see an unprecedented rally of "Old Blues" to London not only to watch the play itself, but to attend the centenary dinner which is being organised to celebrate the occasion. With such a climax awaiting them, University cricketers have entered upon their short, but intensive, season with even more than usual zest, Cambridge high on the flood-tide of their all-round athletic successes, Oxford now fully sensitive to their loss of prestige, but encouraged by the memory of their fine fight last year, when, in one of the most interesting games of the season, because the ball was always just on top of the bat, Mr. Stephenson's splendid driving nearly confounded the prophets, and Mr. Enthoven's fine eleven had moments of acute anxiety before getting past the post by little more than a neck.

Though Oxford, in 1921, were able to play nine Old Blues at Lords, the combined total of fifteen now available at the two Universities must be something like a record. Experience is, of course, a valuable asset, and if either captain is able to fill up the few gaps in his team quickly, it is bound to profit much from playing together for some time as a team. On the other hand Old Blues can no more be sure of retaining their form than other gentlemen, and when in their last year are apt to be harassed with "schools." Moreover, the loss of even two or three men from the previous year may so upset the "balance" of the remainder as to demand a considerable reshuffle.

The dropping of Old Blues, though no longer extraordinary, is inevitably distasteful to a University captain, and the apparent riches at Mr. Dawson's and Mr. Holmes's disposal may yet prove something of an embarrassment.

Bowlers in Demand.

Of their respective resources this much can be said at once, that Cambridge's great need is for bowlers. Oxford's for batsmen. When Mr. Dawson has found his stumper, whether it be Mr. Machin, who so narrowly missed the honour last year, or one of the two seniors, Mr. Gibson and Mr. Winter, or the Rugby Freshman, Mr. Roberts, he will only have three more places at his disposal. Of his Old Blues Mr. Irvine met with a serious accident to his leg playing hockey last term, and it may be some time before he is fully fit again; for all his poor showing at Lord's, Mr. Irvine is undoubtedly a fine bowler; he has height, length, spins the ball quick from leg, disguises his googly well, and does not bowl it too often; very much will depend upon his form this year. Mr. Lowe, by virtue of his hat-trick against Oxford, has joined the immortals, though his general performance last summer was quite mediocre; but even assuming that these two men are at their best, and that useful help is forthcoming from Mr. Robins, who as a spin bowler enjoyed great success at Highgate, and though his length was always unreliable, the conclusion is unavoidable that two out of the three vacant places must be given to bowlers, or at least to men who can bowl.

A Strong Candidate.

Distinctly the strongest candidate would seem to be Mr. Allom, with his great height and strength he should be able to bowl really fast, and to make the ball bounce; last year he specialised in the "inswing," but I hear that he can now make the ball "run away," a more formidable threat to the best batsmen. If he can combine both swings and place his field successfully—no easy problem, by the way—he should have a fine chance of appearing at Lord's, though the Uppingham fast bowler, Mr. Wilkinson, did so well last year at school that his claims too are likely to be considered. Of left-hand bowlers there are Mr. Brown, the Felsted senior, and Mr. J. T. Morgan, the freshman from Charterhouse, who really does bowl a length, and is also a sound defensive batsman. If Mr. Cobbold could recapture the accuracy which he showed against Harrow in 1925, his all-round abilities would make him a very strong candidate for a place, for his batting is quick-footed, resourceful and attractive. Nor can Mr. Pennefather, the Harrow freshman, be forgotten; with an action rather reminiscent of J. T. Hearne's he can bowl a length all day, and besides being a useful batsman, is a first-class slip field.

Strong Cambridge Batting.

It is really hard luck on the many fine young batsmen up at Cambridge that there should be

so little room for them this year in the eleven. Mr. Longrigg, though he could not get runs for the Varsity, showed really good form for Somerset after term, and the fact that he is left-handed reinforces his claims. Mr. Judd has made a century for Hampshire, and is a fine field into the bargain. So is Mr. Killick, an other old Pauline, and by common consent the soundest and most mature of all last year's school batsmen. School reputations are often exploded at Penner's and the Parks and form in May is elusive, but in any ordinary year, I would back Mr. Killick to get a Blue at more than guineas to pounds, and even this year Mr. Dawson may have to "make room" for him. Then there are Mr. Tegner, of Clifton, a sound left-hand-er who had the best part of two hours against the Australians, bowling for the Schools team at Lord's; Mr. Block of Marlborough, a most attractive batsman and a fine fielder and thrower in any position; Mr. Andrews, who averaged 50 for Harrow; Mr. Hope, last year's Eton captain, and, if he defeats the Examiners, Mr. Valentine of Repton, who may lack defence and solidity, but can bat with real brilliance and style. In an ordinary year at least half of these eight men might well win a "Blue," but unless some of the old colours lose their form, the door is almost closed to them. Mr. Robins may have to improve on his last year's showing to keep his place, but he is so quick-footed, such a good field, and so experienced a games-player that he is unlikely to fail. Mr. Turnbull did quite modestly for Cambridge and owed his Blue to his great school reputation, but once again for Glamorgan he proved the soundness of his method, and with greater confidence this year he might well prove a most consistent bat.

Dawson and Duleepsinhji.

Mr. Seabrook is older than most Varsity players, strong and resourceful, and a splendid fielder, but of course it will be to the captain and L. K. S. Duleepsinhji that Cambridge will look for most of their runs. Provided that the cares of captaincy do not weigh too heavily on Mr. Dawson and that he enjoys a reasonable measure of batsman's luck, conspicuously denied him last year, I shall be surprised if he does not have a great season; his defence is wonderfully good and he is more resourceful and powerful than when he did so well as a freshman. Of all our young batsmen not one has quite the same possibilities of real greatness as K. S. Duleepsinhji: last season though a masterly player on the one side, he was never quite convincing outside the off-stump, being inclined to "clip" his stroke and not force the bat through to extra-cover; but a great cricketer and critic, who has watched him play under cover this spring, tells me that he has overcome this weakness and is playing superbly: "In fact," said

he, "it is a puzzle to know where to bowl to him now." That is good news, indeed, for all except Oxford men, and even they may have cause for rejoicing in 1929-30. Mr. Erroll Holmes, back from his West Indian trip and looking extremely well on it, is facing his captain's task with the cheerfulness one would expect of him, and with eight Old Blues still up, it might seem as if it would be fairly plain sailing for him, but he may have to do some hard thinking before all his problems are solved. Mr. Abell will be facing "Greats" at the end of the term, never an ideal preparation for the tour and the Varsity match, and Mr. Newman, I believe, has an agricultural "school" actually coinciding with "Lord's," whilst Mr. Nunn, the secretary, who studies medicine, is, like others so placed, permanently beset with examinations.

The Oxonian Talent.

Assuming that all the Old Blues play against Cambridge, though to do so Mr. Lyon must recover the form and confidence which he quite lost last year, Mr. Holmes is likely to look for one bowler and two batsmen to fill his three vacancies. In attack he has already available his own pace, Mr. Grimstock a much-improved left-hander, who only needs more power of finger-spin to be a match-winning bowler; Mr. McCallis, who has a fine action, bowls a length, but like most swingers, rather depends on the opposing batsmen and his slip fields for his wickets; and Mr. McBride, whose action is ugly, but who can use a bad wicket. The ideal reinforcement would be a slow spinner, and if he can quicken his pace, Mr. Leadham-Green, who did such wonders for Rugby against Marlborough last year, might fill the role. Failing that solution, Mr. Butterworth and Mr. Serrurier are quick-medium bowlers, who can also bat, and in the former's case bat really well. Mr. Stewart and Mr. Awdry can use the new ball effectively, but neither are so promising as the Uppingham Freshman, Mr. McIntosh, who has a fine "tail" action, and can make the ball "turn" late either way. If not overworked—he is none too strong—the last-named might prove a great help.

Stronger Batsmen Needed.

Mr. Holmes will have to reinforce his batting considerably, if his team is to stand much chance at Lord's. Though Mr. Nunn is sound and likely to improve steadily with experience, the captain himself is the only batsman with pretensions to real class among the Old Blues. A likely recruit is the Ceylonese, Mr. Da Silva, who, I hear, has been playing extremely well in practice. Mr. Rawns, if he could get a good start and so reinforce his confidence, has the material of a

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The model public-house will not be a restaurant, but cakes and sandwiches will be provided.

The State authorities are also arranging for the building of another model public-house, with bowling greens, at Tarraby, on the northern outskirts of the city where a large villa population has grown up. It is understood the are also contemplating the erection of a restaurant in connexion with the clearance of the Carlisle Prison site.

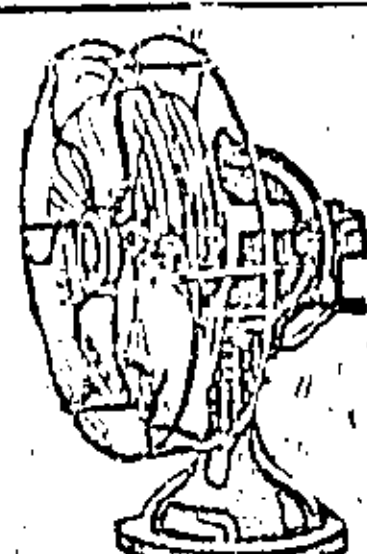
good batsman, and Mr. Horsley who might deputise for Mr. Abell behind the stumps, played some very good cricket after term last season. Mr. Welch, the Marlborough, and Mr. Snell, the Wykehamist, may this year fulfill their school reputations, and if they do we shall see some off-driving. The Oxford freshmen will have slightly better chance of distinction than their fellows at Cambridge and of them Mr. Crawley and Mr. Cazaleat are the most prominent. Mr. Crawley will have to sharpen up his holding if he is to give himself a real chance, but he is a beautiful player, with a length and grace of stroke unusual in these days, and the wrists of a racket-playing family. If he could find the form which he showed against Eton at Lord's last July, no Varsity eleven could dispense with him.

As usual, Oxford have a less strenuous programme than Cambridge, and the lack of first class professional opposition is the latter half of the term has for some time, been a serious handicap to Oxford cricket; but the tour is a good one, unchanged from last year, and Mr. Holmes may be relied upon to build up a side that will work hard and keep cheerful, whatever its fortune. *Observer.*

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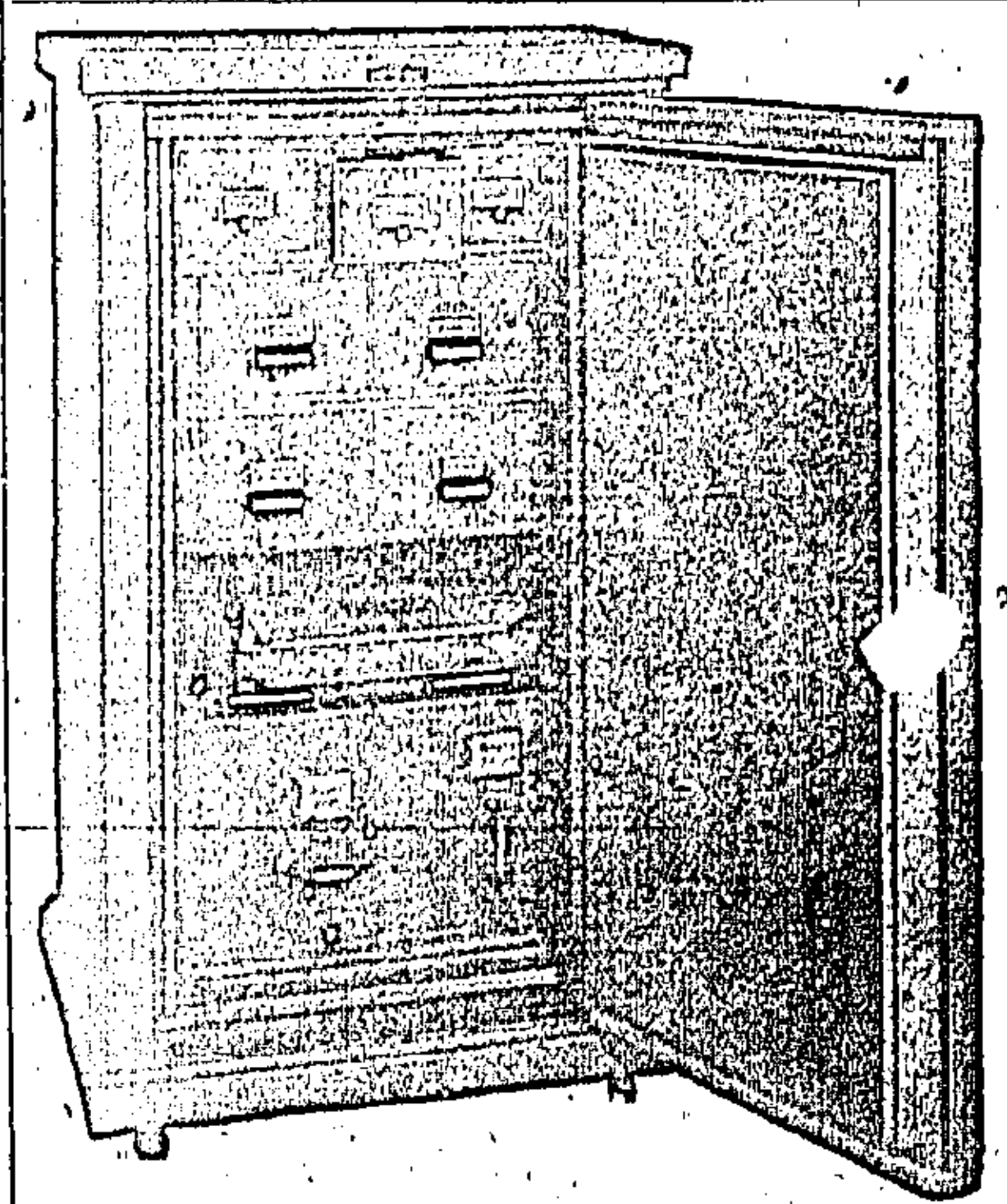
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June 28	Seattle	Levinthorn	Aug. 7	P'mth-C'burg Aug. 7
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July 12	Seattle	Bronx	Aug. 16	P'mth-C'burg Aug. 26
July 19	San Francisco	Levinthorn	Aug. 20	C'burg-S'ampton Aug. 22
July 26	Seattle	Ilwaco	Aug. 24	P'mth-C'burg Aug. 31
Aug. 2	San Francisco	Majestic	Sept. 3	C'burg-S'ampton Sept. 5
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PRESIDENT PIERCE ... May 30th, 6.00 p.m.

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THE VOLUNTEERS.

ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

No. 278.—Hongkong Volunteer
 Defence Corps.
 Orders by Lieut.-Colonel L. G.
 Bird, D. S. O.

Administrative Commandant.

Hongkong, Friday, 27th, May 1927.

1.—King's Birthday Parade.

The Corps will take part in the
 above mentioned parade which
 will take place at 8.45 a.m. on
 Friday, 3rd June, 1927, at Happy
 Valley. All members who are
 willing to turn out will give their
 names to their Unit Commanders
 as early as possible.

Rendezvous at Happy Valley

Football ground at 8.10 a.m.

Special trams will leave the

East Bound Stopping Place foot

of Garden Road.

Dress: Review Order. Khaki,

Helmets, khaki jackets, medals,

shorts, putties, belt and bayonet,

rifle and sling.

Scottish Company will conform,

dressed in the kilt, as for G.O.C.'s

Inspection, wearing helmets.

Artillery and Armoured Car

Companies will conform wearing

shorts, bandoliers, belt and

bayonet.

Dress for Officers.

All Officers attending the King's

Birthday Parade on 3rd June as

spectators will dress in Review

Order Khaki.

Practice Parade:—Monday, 30th

May, 1927.

Parade at the Football ground,

special trams will leave the East

Bound Stopping Place foot of

Garden Road at 5.15 p.m. Dress:

Uniform, as detailed above for

3rd June, 1927.

2.—Recruits Parade.

All recruits of the Corps will

parade at Volunteer Headquarters

at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 31st May

for Musketry Instruction.

Dress: Uniform optional, belt,

braces and pouches, rifle and

bayonet.

3.—Signal Class.

Trained men of No. 4 Platoon

and those attending Signal Class

from other units will parade at

Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30

p.m. on Thursday, 2nd June, under

2/Lieut. M. G. Noll. Dress:

Muffi.

4.—Artillery Company.

Except Corps Parades as ordered

for 30th May and 3rd June in

connection with the King's Birth-

day Parade, no parades for the

Artillery Company will be held

till further orders. The Winter

Training will commence on the

first week of September, 1927.

5.—Armoured Car Company.

Motor Cycle Section. A tactical

ride will take place in the

New Territories on Sunday, 20th

May, 1927. All members are re-

quested to attend.

Parade at Railway Station,

Kowloon, at 10 a.m.

Dress: Tunics, breeches, putties,

helmets and belt.

All N.C.O.'s will parade at

Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.

on Thursday, 2nd June for Ma-

chine Gun Instruction.

Dress: Muffi.

6.—Infantry Company.

On Friday, 27th May at 5.30 p.m.

All N.C.O.'s and other ranks as

detailed by O. C. Company will

parade at Corps Headquarters for

ROWING.

BROWN CUP WON BY

12TH BATTERY.

The annual race for the Brown
 Rowing Cup took place on Wednes-
 day afternoon, and resulted in a
 victory for the 12th Heavy Battery,
 Royal Artillery, with the 23rd Heavy
 Battery a good second and the Royal
 Engineers and Signals third. The
 only other competitors were the 2nd
 Battalion, King's Own Scottish Bor-
 derers.

Lieut.-Commander Leveson-Gower,
 R.N., got the 12th off to a very
 good start near Channel Rocks. The
 23rd Battery early established a lead
 and kept it until about two-thirds of
 the course had been completed, when
 the 12th Battery came away and kept
 in front for the remainder of the dis-
 tance. The finish of the 2,000 yards
 course was a line opposite the Royal
 Hongkong Yacht Club, and the 12th
 Battery crossed the first in the
 splendid time of 9 mins. 42 secs., the
 23rd Battery being only another eight
 seconds behind. The R. E. and
 Signals took 10 mins. 40 secs. and the
 Borderers 10 mins. 50 secs.

The winning crew was comprised
 of Bomb. Norris (Stroke), Gunner
 French, Bomb. J. Smith, Gunners
 Denny, Blanchard and Say, with
 Lieut.-Colonel Gunn, R. A., as Cox.
 H. E. the General Officer Commanding
 (Major General G. C. Luard,
 C.B., C.M.G.) presented the Cup to
 the winning team and a small silver
 replica to each member; the runners-
 up receiving silver mugs. He con-
 gratulated the winning crew on their
 fine performance, and thanked the
 Commodore and officials of the
 Yacht Club for their assistance. Lt.-
 Colonel Gunn for arranging the race
 and S. Q. M. S. Steele for his work as
 sports secretary.

Dress for Officers.
 All Officers attending the King's
 Birthday Parade on 3rd June as
 spectators will dress in Review
 Order Khaki.

Practice Parade:—Monday, 30th

May, 1927.

Parade at the Football ground,

special trams will leave the East

Bound Stopping Place foot of

Garden Road at 5.15 p.m. Dress:

Uniform, as detailed above for

3rd June, 1927.

p.m. on Friday, 27th May for

Lewis Gun Instruction. Dress:

Muffi. Overalls to be drawn from

Store.

Musketry Part I. will be fired by

the above Company at Stonecutters

Range on Sunday, 5th June, 1927.

Range Officer: 2/Lieut. S. Jarvis,

M.C. All trained men and re-

cruits who have fired at Kennedy

Road, or Peak Ranges will attend.

Launch will leave Murray Pier

at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier

at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform or muffi op-

tional, but rifle, bayonet, pouches,

braces and belt must be taken.

Arms will be drawn from Corps

Headquarters on Thursday, 2nd

June, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon,

or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m.,

on Saturday, 4th June, be-

tween 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

9. No. 4. Platoon.

Parade at Miniature Range at

Corps Headquarters on Wednes-

day, 1st June at 5.30 p.m. for

Musketry Instruction. Dress:

Muffi.

10. Strength.

The following are taken on the

strength and posted as under:—

No. 1248 Pte. P. Castilho, No. 9

Platoon, dated 20.5.27.

No. 1249 Pte. J. C. Remedios, No. 10

Platoon, dated 20.5.27.

No. 1250 Pte. F. H. F. Swayne,

A. Car. Co., dated 26.5.27.

11. Promotion and Transfer.

The following extract from the

Hongkong Government Gazette No.

21 dated 20.5.27, Notification No.

298 is published for information:—

"His Excellency the Governor

has been pleased to make the fol-

lowing promotion and transfer in

the Hongkong Volunteer Defence

Corps:—

Captain Christopher Willson,

O.B.E., V.D., to be promoted to the

rank of Major and transferred to

the Reserve of Officers, Hongkong

Volunteer Defence Corps, with

effect from 6th May, 1927."

12. Command and Company.

2nd. Lieut. T. A. Martin takes

over command of Artillery Com-

pany as from 6th May, 1927, vice

CONSIGNEE NOTICE.

LLOYD TRIESTINO NAVIGATION

COMPANY.

The Motor Vessel,

"ROMOLO,"

From TRIESTE, VENICE,

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 landed at their risk into the Godowns
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 delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded

unless notice to the contrary be given

before 24th inst.

No claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all

Goods remaining undelivered after the

30th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the vessel must

be presented to the undersigned on or

before the 9th prox. or they will not

be recognized.

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Goods are to be left in the Godowns,

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Bill of Lading will be countersigned

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 tions of storage at Holt's Wharf.
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 from Godown on and after 26th May.
 Optional cargo will not be
 landed here, unless notice has
 been given prior to steamer's
 arrival, but carried on from
 port to port to the final port of call
 to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed, and damaged

goods are to be left in the Godowns,
 where they will be examined on any
 Tuesdays and Fridays between the
 hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within
 the free storage period.
 No claims will be admitted after
 the Goods have left the steamer's
 Godown, and all Goods remaining un-
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 on or before the 1

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CANTON ... Minsang Mon. 30th May at 4 a.m.

SWATOW Ningpo & S'hai Yusang Mon. 30th May at 10 a.m.

ANDAKAN ... Hinaang Mon. 30th May at 3 p.m.

HAIPHONG ... Cheongshing Tues. 31st May at 10 a.m.

KOBE via Amoy, & Moji ... Kutsang Wed. 1st June at 7 a.m.

TSINGTAU Swatow & S'hai Minsang Wed. 1st June at 10 a.m.

STRAITS & Calcutta ... Fooksang Satur. 4th June at 3 p.m.

OSAKA Amoy, Moji & Kobe Suisang Sun. 5th June at 7 a.m.

TIEN-TSIN ... Waishang Sun. 5th June at 10 a.m.

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JAPAN'S TRADE.

EXCESS OF IMPORTS OVER EXPORTS.

Commercial cable received by the Japanese Consulate General, Hongkong, 26th May, 1927.

Last month, the excess of imports over exports decreased slightly, due to the decline of imports, compared with that of the same period of last year.

The money market has shown uneasiness generally owing to the rejection of the Imperial ordinance bill for straightening the Taiwa Bank's business, which was proposed by the late Cabinet, and the failures of the bank, as well as the Jugo Bank, etc., were announced. All banks in Japan were obliged to close their doors on 22nd and 23rd, April, the Government declaring a three weeks' moratorium on and after 22nd April.

During the period of the moratorium, business transactions were suspended. The Yokohama Specie Bank changed its exchange quotations several times and the markets showed much depression. The Bank of Japan made extraordinary advances, the local banks increased the reserve funds and the officials and people in Japan dealt promptly with the financial difficulties. The financial market after the expiration of the moratorium is quiet and normal.

Foreign trade of Japan during last month was: Value of Exports, 168 million yen; Value of Imports, 226 million yen; Excess of Imports, 67 million yen.

Trade of Japan with China during last month: Value of Exports, 32 million yen; Value of Imports, 21 million yen; Excess of Exports, 11 million yen.

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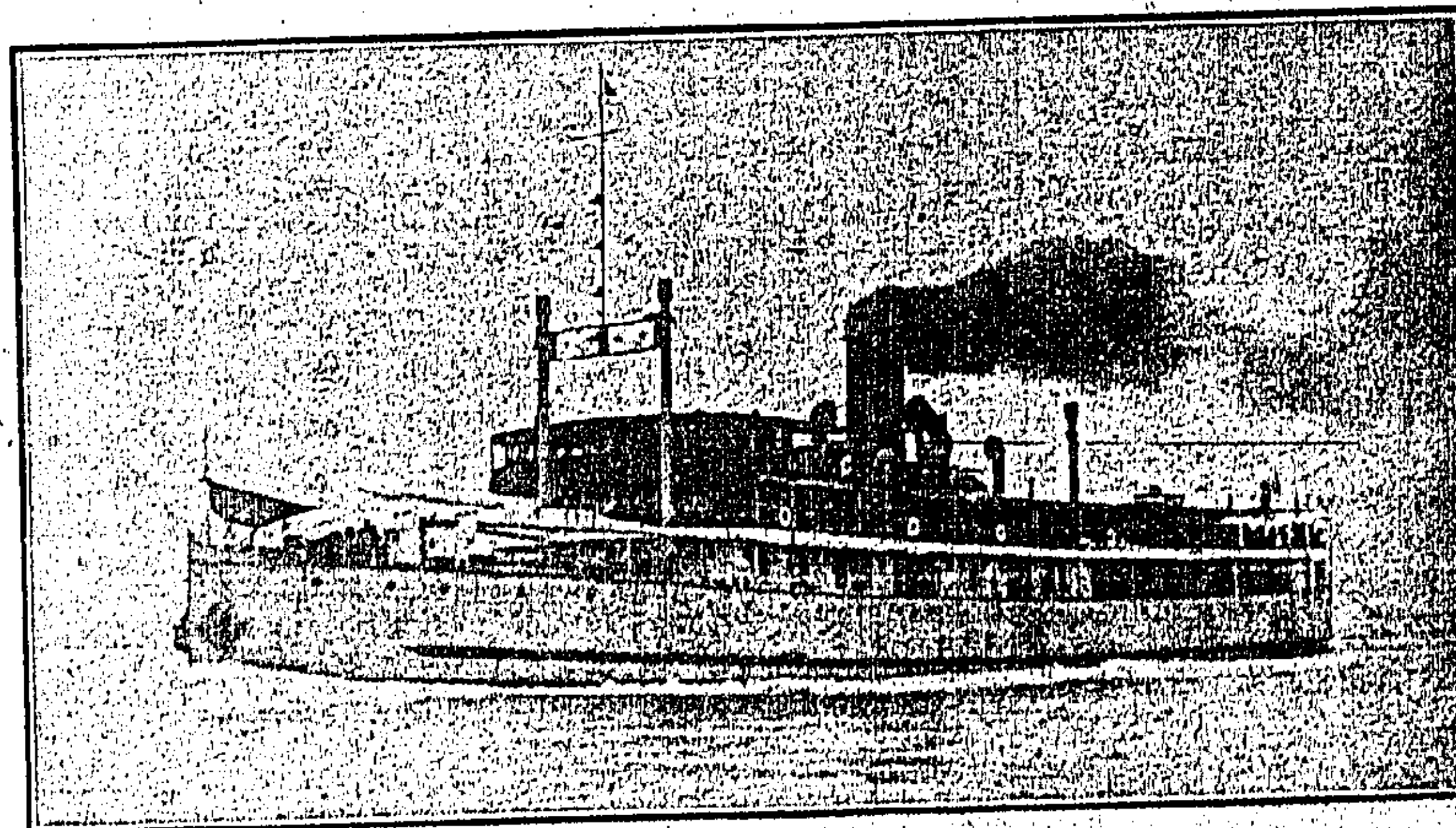
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The Dutch tug Humber, of 500
tons register, came into Singapore
on Tuesday afternoon last week
having in tow the 1,500 ton dredger
for the Singkep Tin Mines.

With a crew of 18 the tug set
out with the dredger from Rotterdam
on February 9 and made a
good passage well into the
Mediterranean where heavy
weather was encountered some
200 miles to the south-east of
Malta.

It was found that the dredger
was leaking badly and had shipped
nearly 800 tons of water. The
captain, therefore, returned to
Malta for repairs and it was close
upon a week before the voyage
could be resumed.

Met South-West Monsoon.

All went well until the coast of
Ceylon was drawing near where
the full force of the South-west
monsoon was encountered with a
heavy swell and mountainous seas.
The dredger was built by L. K.
Smith, of Rotterdam, and has an
overall length of 100 ft., a breadth
of 51 ft., and draught 6 ft. 6 in.
The bucket line is belt-driven from
two engines on either side of the
deck, and the buckets each have
a capacity of nine cubic feet, and
are capable of digging 65 feet.

Some Innovations.

Two solid injection Diesel oil-
driven engines, each of 850 h.p.,
drive the pumps. It is believed
that this is the first time oil-fuel
engines have been used for this
purpose in Malaya, the usual type
being coal-fueled or electrically
driven. Another innovation in-
corporated in the dredger is the
generation of its own electricity
for lighting purposes, etc.

The stackers are to be fitted on
the dredger at King's Dock, Singa-
pore, whilst the washing tables
and minor parts will be added
when at Singkep.

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DEALS IN SHARES.

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further states that in the event of
E. E. Ellis not delivering the shares
Odell & Behar are authorized "to
purchase in open market on my ac-
count." That is the initiation of
the contract.

The Customers' Names.

There is no name of the buyer
disclosed on the contract nor any-
thing to show that buyer's name
had been disclosed. Behar admits
that in regard to some other shares
"customers' names disclosed" was
written on sale note but states that
he only did it to make himself
"doubly free from responsibility."

The next step with regard to the
contract was a letter written on
August 19, 1925, by Ellis to Odell
& Behar in which after setting out
the various shares goes on to say
"you contracted to purchase and
rendered yourselves personally
liable for the carrying out of the
purchase" and further states that
if Odell and Behar are not able to
take up and pay for the shares he
could make arrangements to carry
the shares for Odell and Behar's
account.

The defendants do not reply to
this or state that they are not per-
sonally liable, but do sign an
agreement on August 22, 1925
by which the time for delivery
was extended to September
1925. Behar merely says
in his evidence with regard to
"personally liable" that he did not
reply and contradict the statement
because he did not take the state-
ment seriously.

They do write on August 25, 1925
referring to some shares in the let-
ter of August 19 and in the agree-
ment saying "which you have
agreed to take up and apply to your
settlement account with us." An-
other letter, a personal one, was
written on September 8, 1925, to
Odell in which the phrase is used
"you must hold all these people
to their contracts, in the same way
as I am holding you to yours."

No Denial of Liability.

Throughout the whole of the
period in spite of the plaintiff's
reiterated statement that the de-
fendants are personally liable, there
is not one word of denial of li-
ability. Telegrams and letters passed
between Ellis and Odell in Septem-
ber 1925 in which Odell says he is
doing his best about the shares but
no suggestion that the defendants
are not liable. In a letter written
on September 22, 1925, Odell and
Behar referring to a transaction in
Hongkong Trams between Ellis and
themselves uses the phrase: "For
this transaction we shall give you
a contract note endorsed legally,
freeing us from all liability and
holding the buyer alone respon-
sible."

So it appears that there is some
form of contract note by which
it can be shown definitely that it
is the buyer who is solely respon-
sible.

It is a fact of some importance
in arriving at a decision as to the
parties to the contract, that when
the date arrived for the shares to
be delivered they were tendered
to the defendants and not to the
buyers whose names the defend-
ants alleged they disclosed to the
plaintiff. And it was the de-
fendant Behar who had to take
the plaintiff's agent to the offices
of the various buyers.

I am of opinion that on the
documents produced in this case, I
can come to no other conclusion
than that the parties to the con-
tract for the sale of these shares
were the plaintiff on the one part
and the defendant firm on the
other part, and that the defend-
ants were employed by the
plaintiff to sell the shares in con-
sideration for the brokerage
allowed, and were to, and did, un-
dertake full responsibility and
liability for carrying out the
contract.

Therefore judgment will be for
the plaintiff for the sum of Hong-
kong \$161,821.06, in the equivalent
Shanghai currency and in the
alternative damages to be ascer-
tained for breach of contract. In
the event, on further argument,
of being satisfied that adequate
damages cannot be ascertained I
will make an order for specific per-
formance of the Contract.

Second Judgment for Behar.

His Lordship also delivered
judgment in the case in which the
second defendant (Mr. Jack Be-
har) became the plaintiff in an
action against the above plaintiff
(Mr. E. E. Ellis) in which he
(Mr. Behar) claimed that the de-
fendant (Mr. Ellis, as representa-
tive of Ellis & Co.) refused to take
delivery of certain shares after a
purchase agreement had been
signed. Judgment was given for
the plaintiff in the sum of Tls.
4,690 and costs.

In the course of his second
judgment, the Judge declared:
There is no substantial contra-
diction of the statements of the
plaintiff with regard to the efforts
to sell at the best price obtain-
able. In fact the evidence of Mr.
Ellis Hayin supports his state-

SMASHING WIN FOR
NORTH.

(Continued from Page 1.)

The Wongsba Railway station
is carefully guarded by troops
and armoured cars, as the "Reds"
and bandits made two attempts to
attack the railway station during
the past week.

General Li Fuk-lam yesterday
despatched a battalion of troops,
together with an artillery com-
pany, to reinforce the defence of
the Nam-shek-tau Reformatory,
where more than 1,000 "Red" pri-
soners are held.

Raids on Schools.

The authorities are paying
special attention to the activities
of the students. In the small
hours of this morning a large
force of gendarmes and armed
police were sent to the hostels of
the Chi-Yung Middle School, and
had 19 of the students there ar-
rested. A large quantity of books
and papers was seized. Many of
the students of the Chi Yung
School have been known as Com-
munists.

Signs were put up in their hos-
tels, such as the "Lenin Memorial
Hostel," the "Marx Memorial
Hostel," and so forth.

The Provincial Government has
ordered the No. 2 Provincial Mid-
dle School to expel 14 of its stu-
dents, who are suspected of being
Communists.

Yunnan Commission.

The Canton Branch of the Cen-
tral Political Council, which is the
highest Nationalist executive or-
gan for South China, recently ap-
pointed a commission to Yunnan
to have a provincial Kuomintang
committee organized for that pro-
vince.

A telegram was received from
this commission yesterday that a
Temporary Provincial Kuomint-
ang Committee for Yunnan has
been inaugurated, with the former
Provincial Assembly Building as
its office. The commissioners of
the Committee consist of Generals
Hu Yu-yu and Lung Yun, the two
leading military commanders of
Yunnan.—*Nam Chung P'o.*

JAPANESE REINFORCEMENT.

Additional Troops for Tsingtao.

Tokyo, May 26.
The War Office has decided to
request the Cabinet to sanction the
despatch of seven or eight batta-
lions of troops to Tsingtao for the
protection of Japanese lives and
property.

Infantry will be sent from Man-
churia and Cavalry, Engineers
and Army Service Corps
from Japan.—*Reuter.*

Minelayer Ordered to Tsingtao.

Tokyo, May 26.
The minelayer Tokiwa has been
ordered to Tsingtao to protect
Japanese interests. She is prob-
ably sailing to-morrow.—*Reuter.*

NORTHERN OFFENSIVE.

Movement Launched.

Peking, May 26.
The military headquarters an-
nounce that the Fengtien forces
launched an offensive on the
Honan front early this morning.
The Fengtien army numbers at
least 100,000 while Tang Sang-chi
(who is opposing them) reckons
with 70,000.—*Reuter.*

YUNNAN'S TUPAN.

His Reported Death.

Peking, May 26.
A foreign telegram from Yun-
nanfu reports the death of the
Tupan, Tang Chi-yao.—*Reuter.*

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are answers to
questions on page 7.

1. 7,476,138. 2. Sir Charles Parsons. 3.
Lake Superior. 4. The blending of the
banners of England, Scotland and Ireland at the
Union in 1606. 5. Wrote "Kluge" as an
encomiastic work on the physical universe. 6.
Famous British diplomat in China, where
he died in 1856. 7. The official rate at which
the Bank of England discounts bills. 8. The
dried kernel of the coconut; a species of sea-
anemone eaten by Chinese. 9. At Theobald's Park,
near Enfield. 10. That of Charles I. in White-
hall. 11. Ancestor-worship the national re-
ligion of Japan. 12. Eleanor Cobham,
Duchess of Gloucester, in 1441. 13. Alexander
the Great. 14. Metal work. 15. The fabled
land of plenty.

ment with regard to the difficul-
ty of selling on settling day. Mr.
Hayins says that shares often
have to be sold at a sacrifice on
that day as no one is buying.
Therefore I consider that I must
accept the statement of the plain-
tiff that he sold the shares for
the best price he could get.

Consequently I find for the
plaintiff and give judgment for
him for the sum claimed as
damages, namely the difference be-
tween the purchase price and the
sale price of the 1,000 Ziangba
Rubber Co. shares, the 2,000 Tanah
Merah Rubber shares and the 1,200
Ewo Cotton shares, set out in the
statement of claim and amounting
to Tls. 4,690 and costs.

SHANGHAI GUN
BATTLES.

WEEK-END SETTLEMENT
ROBBERIES.

Pistol battles between armed
robbers and International Settle-
ment police marked a series of
armed robberies in the Shanghai
Settlement over the week-end,
says the *Shanghai Times*. Two
constables were shot and one
robber and a rice shop owner were
wounded. The last, a victim of
the fire of the robbers, was shot
four times and is in a serious
condition at the Shantung Road
Hospital.

Five armed men entered a rice
shop at 485 North-Fokien Road,
looting the place of money and
jewellery totalling \$500. As they
were leaving the alarm was raised
by the owner who was immedi-
ately shot down by the robbers. The
victim was shot in the back, left
forearm and both thighs. A
Chinese police constable heard the
shots and pursued the robbers,
firing on them as he ran. The
robbers returned the fire and made
good their escape.

Following the robbery of an
exchange shop at 948 Burkhill Road,
another running gun battle ensued,
during which a Chinese police con-
stable was wounded. One robber
was also wounded and was arrest-
ed. He was found to be in posses-
sion of a loaded automatic pistol.

Two armed men obtained loot
valued at \$1,500 in a dwelling
house robbery at 129 Point Road.
A Chinese woman was robbed of
gold bangles valued at \$50 while
she was walking in an alleyway
off Take Road. The robbery was
committed by two men, one armed
with a pistol.

Six shots were fired by police
following the robbery of a candle
shop at 511, Sinza Road. Police
gave chase to the robbers but all
escaped. \$112 was taken. A sing-
song house at 217, Hankow Road
was entered by four armed men
who obtained money and jewellery
to the extent of \$400. In an ar-
med highway robbery on Love Lane
near Yates Road, two armed rob-
bers relieved a pedestrian of a
watch and \$20.

In the French Concession, it
was reported, a gang of armed
robbers looted a shop and were
chased by French police. One of
the robbers who ran into the Set-
tlement was seized by a Chinese
constable. A fight followed, dur-
ing which the constable was
slightly wounded, but held his
man and arrested him. Another
of the gang was also arrested in
the Settlement after a pistol battle
with police. Both robbers were
surrendered to French police.

ORGANISATION OF
WORLD'S LABOUR.

THE PART THAT ASIA PLAYS.

Geneva, May 26.
In his presidential speech at
the International Labour Confer-
ence, Sir A. Chatterjee emphasised
the large number of workers in
Asia and the rapid development of
industry and manufacture there,
on modern lines, and therefore it
would be a mistake for the Inter-
national Labour Organisation to
concentrate its attention too ex-
clusively on Europe and America.

He declared that it was most
gratifying that in both Japan and
India the principles of industrial
legislation had been accepted not
only by all political parties but
also by the employers and workers.
The existence of the Labour Or-
ganisation guaranteed that the
principles of labour embodied in
the Treaty of Versailles would not
be lost sight of.

He concluded by expressing his
belief that the organisation would
make a valuable contribution to-
wards harmonising the serene at-
titude towards life characterising
the East with the strain and stress
of the new age. (Applause).—*Reuter.*

LINDBERGH FETED.

VISITS DISTINGUISHED MEN.

Paris, May 26.
Captain Lindbergh has been
feted for four days uninterrupt-
edly, and the enthusiasm for the
young "Columbus of the air"
shows no signs of dying down.

Marshal Foch received Lind-
bergh at his house this morning
and gave him his photograph, re-
marking smilingly, "It is not the
photograph of a pretty woman, but
of a sincere friend."

Lindbergh subsequently called
on Marshal Joffre, and General
Gouraud, the military governor of
Paris, and later lunched with M.
Briand at the Quai d'Orsay. He
then drove to the town hall in
state, and there was given a pub-
lic reception.—*Reuter.*

The mail from London via Suez,
dated April 28 and arriving here
yesterday by Mantua, consisted of
546 bags and 138 sacks of parcels.
Distribution commenced shortly
after 1 p.m.

Entertainments

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TWO CENTS DEBT.

ENDS IN STABBING CASE.

Over a debt of two cents a Chin-
ese youth not only assaulted his
friend but also stabbed him with
a penknife.

The lad was charged before Mr.
R. E. Lindsell this morning with
assault. The complainant stated
that the sum of two cents had been
due and owing to him for quite
some time. He had not been able
to get the money from the de-
fendant. A few nights ago he
saw defendant in Water Street and
he ran across the road to demand
payment.

It happened, however, that the
defendant was in a bad mood. He

repaid the money but accompanied
the repayment with hard blows
and hard words. The complain-
ant resented this treatment and a
scuffle ensued, during which the
defendant whipped out his pen-
knife and stabbed his friend.

In sentencing the youth to re-
ceive ten strokes, his Worship
added that defendant should set-
tle his disputes amicably and not
use a knife at all. If he started
to use a knife at this age, he would
end on the gallows.

The local weather forecast for
to-morrow, issued by the Royal
Observatory, is: N.E. winds,
fresh, possibly increasing to a
gale; fine at first, overcast with
rain later.